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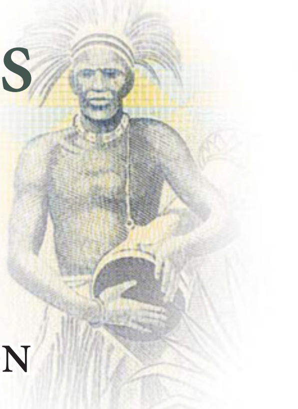

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What's New in NumisMaster

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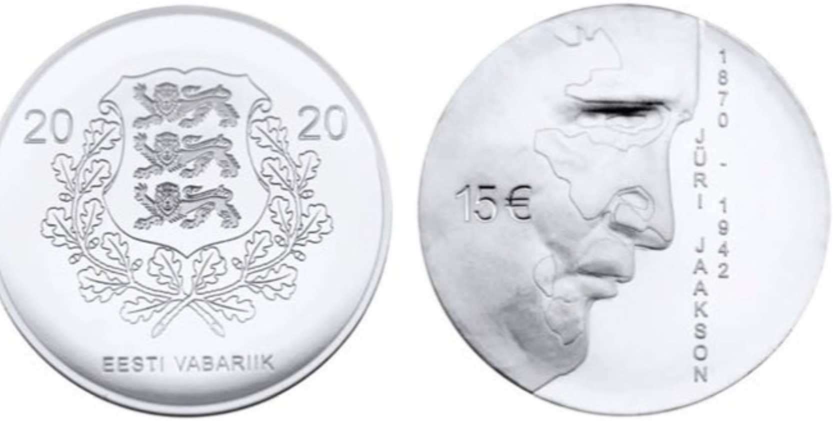

A central figure in the building of Estonia's economy from 1918-1940, Jüri Jaakson was a consumate politician, banker and statesman. He is honored for a life of service to Estonia on this 2020 silver 15 euro issued by the Bank of Estonia, for which he was president from 1926-1940.

We took a break between Christmas and New Year's, call it our Happy Holiday's battery recharge week, but even then we had the database working on updates, running precisely calculated updates to precious metal coins that closely track spot prices. Because of the huge number of coins or master records in the NumisMaster system this update takes time, so while the servers worked for us, we rested up to hit the ground running in 2023.

Close to a thousand new master records were added to NumisMaster during the weeks before Christmas and the first week in January. Just over a thousand images were added during the same period, with most being for these new master records and about a hundred or so covering other dates or countries.

But you need specifics if you are to find them quickly in NumisMaster, so here's a list of some of the countries covered and the number of coins added for each country.

- Cyprus was brought up to 2022 with new issues and many new dates
- British Virgin Islands got over 90 new types added to bring it to 2022
- Estonia was brought through 2022 with 20 additional coins and a number of new dates
- Tokelau got the works with almost 300 new types and 230 new images
- Niue had over 220 new master records and images added

Since Tokelau and Niue contract out their commemorative coin production to a handful of private mints, we will be adding more in the months to come. Niue particularly is now a voracious issuer of commemoratives, with all kinds of licensed material from movies, comics and other pop culture areas.

You will see many of these coins marketed through distributors in Europe and America, but they tend to sell out quickly so if you are trying to complete a series it's very important to watch those outlets continually. You might also want to check the striking mints website periodically for news of new programs and continuing series.

Keep reading this issue for great articles covering The 2023 Coin of the Year winners and Year of the Rabbit Chinese Zodiac coins. Happy collecting!

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Metals

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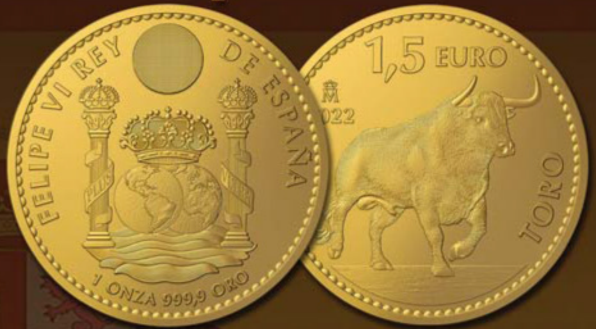

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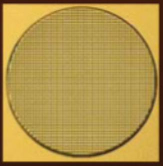

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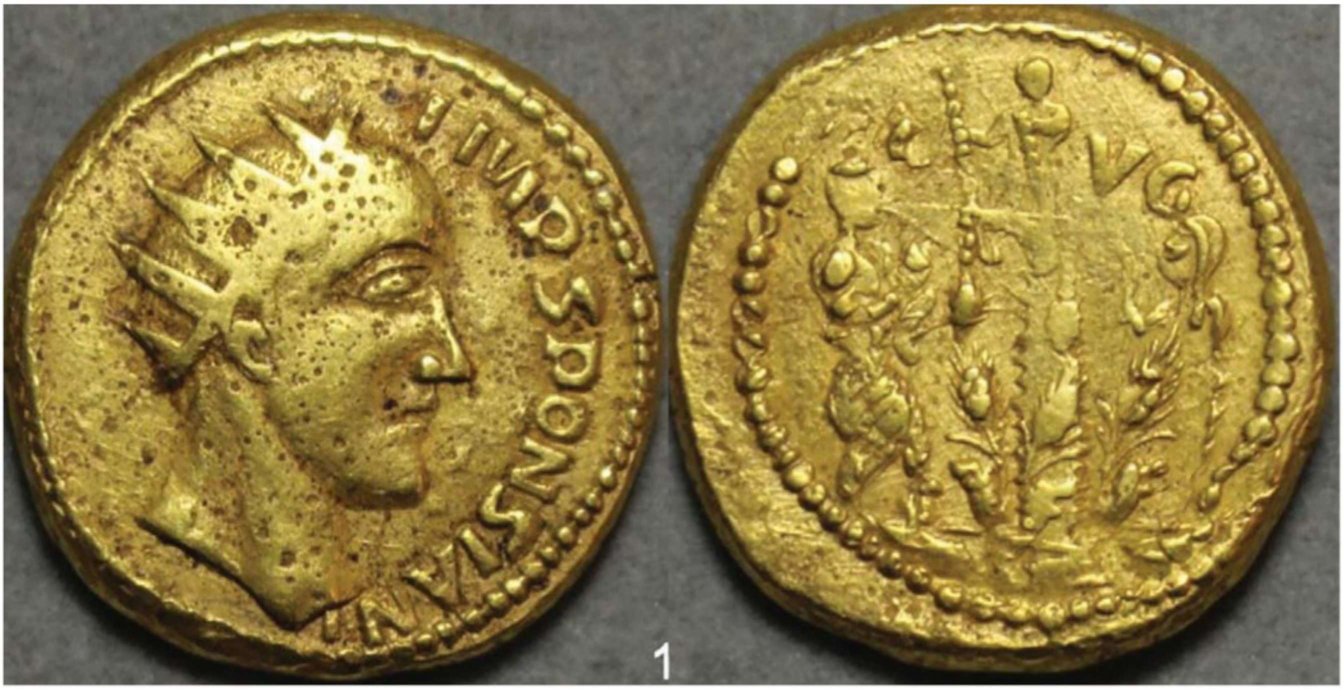

Supposedly ancient Roman coins on which the name Sponsian appears are considered to be counterfeits by numismatists, however University of Glasgow researchers insist otherwise.

In 1713 a hoard of ancient Roman gold aurei coins was unearthed in the Transylvania region of what is now Romania. In about 260 A.D., at the suggested time of their burial this was Roman Dacia. The find contained what has been described as "coin types copying or basing themselves on Republican and Roman Imperial coins."

According to a Nov. 24, 2022 Science Alert internet posting, "[The] coins had been declared poor forgeries in the mid-19th century by the leading expert at the time, a man named Henry Cohen, due to many irregularities. They differ in manufacture and style to authentic coins of their period, for example, vary considerably in weight, have mixed up motifs and messed up inscriptions."

The posting continues, "Imitations of Roman coins were made outside of the empire at the time, and again during the Renaissance period as clearly fake trinkets. Later, more realistic forgeries were produced with simulated wear intended to trick wealthy coin collector. The weight of the gold in the 1713 collection exceeds US$20,000 in modern value."

Among this jumble of coins were at least four examples on which the name Sponsian appears in the obverse legend. No such Roman emperor or usurper is known of this name. The coins were condemned as fakes and dumped into the dustbin of history—until now.

On November 23 the journal "Plos One" published a recent study by University College London and the University of Glasgow researchers suggesting the Sponsian coins are genuine artifacts of some Roman leader whose name has been lost to history.

According to the researchers, based on their wear the four Sponsian coins studied appear to have circulated. Using microscopes in visible and ultraviolet light, scanning electron microscopy, and spectroscopy the researchers determined the coins were genuine rather than fakes.

UCL's Earth Sciences Department research associate Paul N. Pearson said, "Scientific analysis of these ultra-rare coins rescues the Emperor Sponsian from obscurity. Our evidence suggests he ruled Roman Dacia, an isolated gold mining outpost, at a time when the empire was beset by civil wars and the borderlands were overrun by plundering invaders."

CRUSADER KNIGHTS OF RHODES – The Sovereign order of St. John of Jerusalem was originally founded around 1023 to protect Christian pilgrims in the Holy Land, and evolved into a military order. When Jerusalem was lost to the Ayyubid Saladin 1291 they were forced to flee. They seized Rhodes, an island in the Aegean off the coast of Turkey, as their new home in 1309. While there they stuck a broad range of coins, including the large silver gigliato showing the Grand Master of the order kneeling before a cross. Not only were these struck on the island itself but there are also some of similar design, but cruder style, struck on the mainland, possibly by the knights themselves, possibly not. I have just 3 on hand now, based on those of Philibert of Naillac, 1396-1421. VF by wear, but weak strike..$225

AUSTRIA: TYROL – One of the most famous denominations in medieval Germanic coinage is the Kreuzer, named for the eight armed cross (kreuz) the original ones depicted. The first Kreuzers to be struck were issued by the Counts of Tyrol in Austria. I have some inexpensive examples of the most common early Kreuzer, struck by of Sigismund of Tyrol (1439-90). VG, mildly wavy..$15

ETHIOPIA – While Ethiopia is one of the world's oldest countries, from the early Middle Ages until the 1800s its government had weakened to the point where most aspects of central government had faded away. It was Emperor Menelik II (1889-1913), purportedly a direct descendent of Menelik I, son of King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, who restored the Empire and organized the modern Ethiopian state. These nickel-sized copper 1/32 Birr pieces depict that Emperor, and feature the Lion of Judah on the reverse. They bear the date EE1889 (= AD1897) but were actually struck at Addis Ababa 1922-33). VF...$9   XF... $30

FRANCE: METZ – During most of the Middle Ages coinage in France was a mix of not only coins struck by the king, but also coins struck by local rulers. Some were nobles, others were religious officials who held secular authority. The Bishops of Metz, in the North East of France near Luxembourg, were an important example. These small silver deniers were struck by Bishop Bertram (1179/80-1212). They depict the bishop in prayer on the obverse, with the reverse showing a hand in benediction with a cross behind. Average VF.. $75

FRANCE: MAINE - An archetypal French Feudal coinage, the deniers of the Counts of Maine continued unchanged from c.1030 to 1246. Fashioned in the pattern of Charlemagne's coins, they bear an early count's monogram and a cross. The reverse carries the religious legend SIGNVM DEI VIVI. The retention of the dead Count Herbert's monogram was intended to convey the concept of stability, much as the design of the U.S. dollar has remained unchanged since 1923. This was indeed a good coinage, this denier being worth fully double the denier tournois. 1100s to 1246. Rob.4121-22. VF.. $75.00

ITALY: MILAN – Much like in France, the coinage of medieval Northern Italy often was struck by diverse local authorities. These were often cities rather than nobles, and those cities frequently pledged their allegiance to the Holy Roman Emperor, whom they would then cite on their coins. Milan is an excellent example. The slightly cup-shaped Denaro Scodellato struck between 1039-1125 bore the legend IMPERATOR HENRIC, indicating loyalty to the Emperors Henry III through Henry V. Nice examples generally EF... $89

ITALY: MILAN – The Visconti family ruled Milan after the city became a duchy for more than a century. When that ducal family died out in 1447, political factions formerly at odds came together to create a republic, sometimes called the Ambrosian Republic, in honor of the city's patron St. Ambrose. Despite this unity, three years later Francesco Sforza conquered the Republic and in 1450 set his family up as the new dynasty, presiding over the restored duchy during much of the Renaissance. These tiny base denari depict the head of the Republic's patron saint wearing a miter. F..$25   VF... $45

ITALY: PAVIA – For some time an independent city with loyalty to the Holy Roman Emperor, Pavia was acquired by the Visconti of Milan in 1359. Under that dynasty, the University of Pavia was founded and the city flourished. This silver pegione, essentially a grosso, was struck by Galeazzo II Visconti from 1365 to 1378. It is similar to those struck by the Visconti for Milan at the time, but the patron saint depicted is St. Sirus, rather than St. Ambrose. Avg. VF...$89

POLAND: John Paul II – Throughout his pontificate (1978-2005) Pope John Paul II was Poland's internationally respected favorite son. When that beloved Pope died in 2005 it was only natural that the Poland would memorialize him with a special commemorative 2 zlote coin. Roughly the size of a small US dollar, these bright gold colored coins were struck in a brass ally literally called "Nordic Gold". BU, from original mint bags............$4, 10 piece lot $33

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YR13(1924) 10 CENTS L&M-289 NGC-MS63	250

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1903 10 CASH Y-89 NGC-AU50 MANCHU REV	200
1924 10 CENTS L&M-309 NGC-AU53	1,400

CHINA-HONAN

1928 200 CASH Y-396 NGC-MS62BN	1,250

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1938 CENT Y-347 NGC-MS63BN	60
1940 CENT Y-357 NGC-MS64	75
1948 CENT Y-363 NGC-MS64RB MOSTLY RD	100
1936 10 CENT Y-349 NGC-MS63	80
1936 10 CENT Y-349 NGC-MS64	100
1926 20 CENT L&M-82 NGC-AU DET ENVIRON DAMAGE DRAGON/PHOENIX	1,000
1938 20 CENT Y-350 NGC-MS63	50
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1927 DOLLAR L&M-49 NGC-AU55	340
1927 DOLLAR L&M-49 NGC-MS61	450
1927 DOLLAR L&M-49 NGC-MS62	400
1934 DOLLAR L&M-110 NGC-MS62	400

CHINA-REFORMED GOVERNMENT

1940 10 FEN Y-522 NGC-MS64	100

CHINA-PEOPLES REPUBLIC

1985 FEN K-1 NGC-PF66	200
1985 2 FEN K-2 NGC-PF66	200
1985 5 FEN K-3 NGC-PF67	225

CRETE

1900A LEPTON K-1 NGC-MS63BN	90
1901A LEPTON K-1 NGC-MS63BN	90

CUBA

1915 CENTAVO K-9.1 NGC-MS64	75
1915 CENTAVO K-9.1 NGC-MS65	350
1948 10 CENTAVOS K-A12 NGC-MS65	275
1949 20 CENTAVOS K-13.2 NGC-MS65+	1,500
1952 40 CENTAVOS K-25 NGC-MS64	100

DENMARK

1875 ORE K-792.1 NGC-MS65RB TOP POP	250

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

1963 5 CENTAVOS K-26 NGC-MS65	75
1963 10 CENTAVOS K-27 NGC-MS64+	50
1963 25 CENTAVOS K-28 NGC-MS65	75

ECUADOR

1912 1/2 DECIMO K55.1 NGC-MS64	75

EGYPT

AH1277/4 4 PARA K-240 NGC-MS66BN TOP POP 1/0	280
AH1335/1917H 5 MILLIEMES K-315 NGC-MS63	50
AH1348/1929 10 MILLIEMES K-347 NGC-MS62	50
1929 2 PIASTRES K-348 NGC-MS63	50

ESTONIA

1929 SENT K-10 NGC-MS66RD	95
1939 SENT K-10 NGC-MS64RB	50
1931 10 SENTI K-12 NGC-MS64	100
1933 KROON K-14 NGC-MS63 10TH FEST	150
1932 2 KROONI K-13 NGC-MS63 TARTU	150

FRENCH INDO CHINA

1937 20 CENTS K-17.2 NGC-MS66+	500
1931 PIASTRE K-19 NGC-MS61	175

GERMAN EAST AFRICA

1892 PESA K-1 NGC-MS65BN	100

GERMANY-BAVARIA

1847 2 THALER K-823 NGC-AU DET ENV DAM	450
1914 BOX THALER WITH INSERTS TONED UNC WITH ORIGINAL BOX TREUE FEST	280

GERMANY-NASSAU

1860 1/2 GULDEN K-72 NGC-MS65+ TOP POP 1/0	500

GERMANY-SAXONY

1872B 2 THALER D-899 PCGS-UNC DET CLN	280

GERMANY

1928D 3 MARK K-58 NGC-MS62 DURER	400
1928D 3 MARK K-59 NGC-MS62 DINKELS	550
1931A 3 MARK K-73 NGC-MS62 STEIN	135

GREAT BRITAIN

1773 1/4 PENNY K-602 NGC-AU55BN	125
1823 1/4 PENNY K-677 NGC-AU58BN ARABIC DATE	70
1787 SHILLING K-607.2 NGC-UNC DETAILS STAINED	150
1897B TRADE $ K-TN5 NGC-UNC DET CLN	300
1901B TRADE $ K-TN5 NGC-MS63	1,000

HONG KONG

1905H CENT K-11 NGC-MS63BN	120
1886 5 CENT K-5 NGC-AU58	150
1933 5 CENT K-18 NGC-MS67 TOP POP 8/0	400
1868 10 CENT K-7 NGC-AU DET CLEANED	70

HUNGARY

1632KB 1/4 THALER K-71 NGC-AU DET CLN	250

INDIA-BRITISH

1862 1/4 ANNA K-467 ICG-PROOF 53	150
1889C 1/4 ANNA NGC-MS64RB	65
1908C 1/4 RUPEE K-506 NGC-MS62	100

INDIA-PORTGUESE

1936 1/2 RUPIA K-23 NGC-MS63	40

IRELAND

1942 FLORIN K-15 PCGS-MS65	200

ITALY-PARMA

1815 LIRA C-28 NGC-AU DET CLEANED	120

ITALY-SARDINIA

1826 EAGLE L 3 CENTESIMI K-127.1 NGC-MS64BN	280
1831 EAGLE P 50 CENTESIMI K-124.1 NGC-VF35	150

ITALY

1919R 50 CENTESIMI K-61.1 NGC-AU50	28

KOREA-SOUTH

KE4292(1959) 10 HWAN K-1 NGC-MS65BN	500
1974 10 HWAN K-6A NGC-MS64	60
1970 100 WON K-9 NGC-MS63	800
1982 500 WON K-27 NGC-MS65	90

KYRGYZSTAN

1995 10 SOM K-1 NGC-PF66UC	80

LEBANON

1952 50 PIASTRES K-17 NGC-MS66	50

MEXICO

1890CN 8 REALES K-377 NGC-UNC DET CLN	150

MINERVA

1973 $35 NGC-M66 BUST OF MINERVA	300

MOMBASA

1888 C/M PICE K-1.5 NGC-MS63RB	90
1888 C/M PICE K-1.5 NGC-MS64RB	180

MONGOLIA

1925 50 MONGO L&M-620 NGC-MS63+	950

MONTENEGRO

1906 PARA K-1 NGC-MS65BN	110

MOROCCO

1902 1/2 DIRHAM Y-18.2 NGC-MS62	95

NETHERLANDS

1876 5 CENTS K-80 NGC-MS67	120

NIGER

1968 10 FRANCS K-10 NGC-PF67UC	100

PANAMA

1973FM 20 BALBOAS K-31 NGC-PF67UC	175
1974FM 20 BALBOAS K-31 NGC-MS68	140
1977FM 20 BALBOAS K-44 NGC-PF67UC	175

PORTUGAL

1930 50 CENTAVOS K-577 NGC-MS65	500

PUERTO RICO

1895 PESO K-24 ICG-EF45 WINGS STICKER	650

ROMANIA

1906J 5 BANI K-31 NGC-MS63	48

RUSSIA

1852 KOPEK C-149.1 NGC-MS63BN	250
1814 2 KOPEKS C-118.4 NGC-MS63	150

SAINT HELENA

1821 1/2 PENNY K-A4 NGC-AU58BN	95

SAUDI ARABIA

1927 RIYAL K-12 NGC-AU50	280

SPAIN

1889(89) PESETA K-691 NGC-UNC DETAILS CLEANED	1,500

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

1883 10 CENTS K-11 NGC-AU58	1,200

SUDAN

1981 10 POUNDS K-88 NGC-PF67UC	60

SWITZERLAND

1858B 20 RAPPEN K-7 NGC-AU53	75
1887B FRANC K-24 NGC-MS63	175

SWITZERLAND-VAUD

1812 40 BATZEN K-17 OLD ANACS AU53	700

THAILAND

1874 2 ATT Y-19 NGC-AU DET BURNISHED	60

TIBET

1902-11 RUPEE L&M-358 NGC-AU50 NO COLLAR HORIZONTAL ROSETTE	2,000
1948 10 SRANG L&M-663 NGC-AU DET CLND	125
1951 10 SRANG L&M-661 NGC-AU DET CLND	225

TUNISIA

1864 1/4 KHARUB K-153 PCGS-MS65RD	90
1864 1/2 KHARUB K-154 PCGS-MS64RB	70
1864 1/2 KHARUB K-154 NGC-MS66RD	150
1864 KHARUB K-155 PCGS-MS65RB	80

VENEZUELA

1954 50 CENTAVOS Y-36 NGC-MS65	45
1930 2 BOLIVARS Y-23 NGC-AU58	120

YUGOSLAVIA

1925 DINAR K-6 NGC-MS64	80
1938 50 DINARA K-24 PCGS-MS64 TOP POP NICE COLOR PCGS#43601979	200

CROWNS AND MINORS OF THE WORLD

ALBANIA

1988 5 LEKE K-61 BU TRAIN	20

ALDERNEY

1993 POUND K-4 PROOF	20

ALGERIA

1915 10 CENTIMES K-TNB3 CH BU	55
1918 10 CENTIMES K-TNA5 BU W/O BOVY	25
1922 10 CENTIMES K-TND2 XF+	28

ANDORRA

1983 DINAR K-14 UNC	10

ANGOLA

1950 50 CENTAVOS K-72 BU	10

ANTARCTICA-BRITISH

2008 2 POUND K-1 BU	20

ANTIGUA & BARBUDA

1982 $30 K-2 PROOF	40

ARGENTINA

1891 2 CENTAVOS K-33 AU+	18
1882 10 CENTAVOS K-26 AU INTERESTING CLASHED DIE WITH RAYS IN PORTRAIT	45

AUSTRALIA

1929 1/2 PENNY K-22 AU	38
1931 1/2 PENNY K-22 XF	20
1943(M) 1/2 PENNY K-41 CH UNC SOME RED	15
1958 3 PENCE K-57 PROOF	58
1961 3 PENCE K-57 PROOF	50
1963 3 PENCE K-57 PRF	58
1922 6 PENCE K-25 KEY VF	40
1916M SHILLING K-26 XF	25
1922 SHILLING K-26 XF ORANGE & GREEN TONING	100
1917 SHILLING K-26 AU/UNC SOME BLUE TONE	70
1927 FLORIN K-27 AU SOME COLOR	65
1938 FLORIN K-40 CH UNC TONED OBV	75
1937 CROWN K-34 UNC	125
1938 CROWN K-34 AU	200
1969 50 CENTS K-68 BU	15
1988 50 CENTS K-97 BU 200TH ANNIV	10
1991 50 CENTS K-139 BU 25TH ANNIV	10
1992 $1 K-175 BU BARCELONA OLYMPICS	20
1936 CROWN X-M3A PROOF	35
1858 PENNY TOKEN K-TN104 XF HIDE	50

AUSTRIA

1860A FLORIN K-2219 XF	21
1823C 1/2 THALER K-2153 VF	120
1996 50 SCHILLING CH UNC BI-METALLIC	10

BARBADOS

1970 $4 K-A9 BU FAO	14

BELGIUM

1863 10 CENTIMES K-22 CH UNC	23
1852 20 CENTIMES K-19 VF	50
1853 20 CENTIMES K-19 VF NO PERIODS	50
1873 5 FRANCS K-24 AU	45

BENIN

2007 2500 FRANCS K-E1 ESSAI	28

BERMUDA

1959 CROWN K-13 BU	30
1996 $1 K-94 CH UNC 70TH BDAY	15

BOHEMIA

1642 3 KREUZER K-448 VF	28

BOLIVIA

1796 REAL K-70 VG	25
1787 2 REALES K-53 VG	35
1825 4 REALES K-84 VG LAST FERDINANO	100
1808PTS 8 REALES K-73 AU SOME TONE REV	240
1861 SP; L134.2 F	12
1854 4 SOLES K-123.2 AU/UNC	85
1892 10 CENTAVOS K-172 VF	14
1898 50 CENTAVOS K-161.5 AU	22
1900 50 CENTAVOS K-175.2 AU	28
1865 1/4 MELGAREJO K-144 XF	38
1865 1/2 MELGAREJO K-145.2 F HITS	15
1865 1/2 MELGAREJO K-145.2 F SHORT	20
1865 1/2 MELGAREJO K-145.2 VF SHORT	26
1864 MELGAREJO K-146 VF	85
1808 PROCLAMATION MEDAL OF 8 REALES K-346 TONED AU POTOSI	1,000

BOSNIA

1996 SUVERENA K-74 BU HORSE	15
1997 SUVERENA K-93 BU HORSE	15

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1830R 40 REIS K-363.1 NEAR XF PERHAPS A CONTEMPORARY COUNTERFEIT	38
1913A 2000 REIS K-514 AU/UNC	18

BRUNEI

AH1304 CENT K-3 XF	50

BURKINA FASO

2007 2500 FRANCS K-E1 BU	42

CAMBODIA

1970 RIAL K-59 UNC	10

CAMEROON

1943 FRANC K-7 XF	20

CANADA

1893 CENT K-7 BRN UNC FL/FL OBV	25
1894 CENT K-7 VF+ LARGE 4	25
1895 CENT K-7 CH BRN UNC SOME RED	85
1907H CENT K-8 XF	28
1920 CENT K-21 CH UNC SOME RED	38
1920 CENT K-28 CH UNC	28
1929 CENT K-28 CH UNC	40
1858 5 CENTS K-2 AG LARGE DATE	60
1887 5 CENTS K-2 VF MILD BEND	25
1891 5 CENTS K-2 AU+	55
1896 5 CENTS K-2 VF SPOT	10
1899 5 CENTS K-2 XF	15
1907 5 CENTS K-13 AU	20
1918 5 CENTS K-22 AU	10
1898 10 CENTS K-3 XF	48
1902H 10 CENTS K-10 DARK XF	25
1902H 10 CENTS K-10 XF	25
1908 10 CENTS K-10 TONED XF	75
1918 10 CENTS K-23 AU+	25
1919 10 CENTS K-23 TONED UNC	45
1940 10 CENTS K-34 COLORFUL UNC	35
1871H 25 CENTS K-5 VG QQ1 TYPE	90
1882H 25 CENTS K-5 DARK XF	175
1885 25 CENTS K-5 VG	75
1885 25 CENTS K-5 F OLD SM SCRATCH	140
1887 25 CENTS K-5 DARK VG	100
1904 25 CENTS K-11 DARK F	40
1908 25 CENTS K-11 F	28
1936 25 CENTS K-24A VG W/DOT	25
1951 25 CENTS NICE BU SM SCR ON REV	40
1954 25 CENTS K-52 CH BU	75
1900 50 CENTS VG	48
1901 50 CENTS VG	48
1906 50 CENTS K-12 XF- WHISPY LINES UNDER TONING	140
1909 50 CENTS K-12 VG	20
1914 50 CENTS K-25 VG	28
1918 50 CENTS VF	20
1946 $ K-37 FLASHY UNC	140
1948 $ K-46 BU SM PATCH OF HAIRLINES OR DIE POLISH	1,700
1950 $ K-46 SPECIMEN ARNPRIOR	1,000

NEWFOUNDLAND

1904 CENT K-9 VF+	20
1882 10 CENTS K-3 VF	95

TOKEN

ND 1/2 PENNY BL-37 F	25
1844 1/2 PENNY PC-1B3 AU	60

CHAD

1971 100 FRANCS K-2 UNC	25

CHILE

1895 PESO K-152.1 CH BU LT WIPE	80

CHINA-HONAN

ND(1928) 200 CASH KY-396 F/VF FOR TYPE	30
ND(1928) 200 CASH KY-396 VF FOR TYPE	38

CHINA-KWANGTUNG

1890-08 10 CENTS Y-200 F	20
1890-08 20 CENTS Y-205 VF	28
YR18 20 CENTS Y-426 AU	25

CHINA-MANCHUKUO

1938 FEN Y-6 XF/AU	24
TT3 CHIAO Y-4 XF	10

CHINA-REPUBLIC

1912 10 CASH Y-301 AU	25
1914 10 CENTS L&M-66 VF/XF	150
1914 DOLLAR L&M-63 VF CHOPMARK	140
1914 DOLLAR L&M-63 VF RN	140
1914 DOLLAR L&M-63 VF	150
1920 DOLLAR L&M-77 AU RB	275
1920 DOLLAR L&M-77 AU	380
1921 DOLLAR L&M-79 XF	280
1927 DOLLAR L&M-49 XF/AU	140
1934 DOLLAR L&M-110 AU	220
1934 DOLLAR L&M-110 AU+	280

CONGO FREE STATE

1888 CENTIME K-1 BRN UNC FEW SPOTS	20
1894 10 CENTIMES K-4 R&B UNC	50

CRETE

1901 2 LEPTA K-2 BRN UNC	90
1901 5 DRACHMAI K-5 VF OLD LT CLN	100

CUBA

1932 PESO K-15.2 AU	85
1953 PESO K-29 BU MARTI	75
1981 PESO K-62 BU BOXING	16
1982 PESO K-91 BU SAAVEDRA	17
1982 PESO K-92 BU DON QUIJOTE	17
1982 PESO K-93 BU DON QUIJOTE	17
1986 PESO K-122 BU FUTBOL	13
1986 PESO K-128 BU COTORRA	18
1986 PESO K-156 BU LA PAZ	18
1983 PESO K-174 BU OLYMPICS	18
1983 PESO K-175 BU OLYMPICS	18
1983 PESO K-197 BU SARAJEVO	13
1986 PESO K-198 BU SPEED SKATER	18
1990 PESO K-306 UNC CENTENARIO	15
1990 PESO K-309 UNC CENTENARIO	15
1990 PESO K-311 UNC HABANA	15
1991 PESO K-390 UNC SEVILLA	15

CURACAO

1948 2 ½ CENT K-42 RED CU	15
1943 5 CENTS K-40 BU 1 YR TYPE	10
1942 10 CENTS K-37 AU PALM P	14
1944 2 ½ GULDEN K-46 UNC OR BU	25

DANISH WEST INDIES

1859 5 CENTS K-65 VF	25
1859 10 CENTS K-66 VF+ OLD CLN	40

DENMARK

1807 4 SKILLLING K-661 AU+ 1 YR TYPE	48
1871 4 SKILLING K-775.2 UNC	60
1878 ORE K-792.1 AU MINOR DIRT ON REV	85
1886 ORE K-792.1 XF/AU OLD CLN	28
1876 2 ORE K-793.1 VF	80
1892 2 ORE K-733.1 VF	25
1888 10 ORE K-795.1 VF CORR SCR'S	35
1945 10 ORE K-822.2A XF LAM REV KEY	40
1905 25 ORE K-796.2 XF	15
1914 25 ORE K-815.1 XF	90
1917 25 ORE K-815.1 XF CORR REV KEY	28
1892 KRONE K-797.1 VF	22
1915 KRONE K-819 VF+	11
1948 KRONE K-837.1 BU	12
1953 2 KRONER K-844 BU GREENLAND	22

EGYPT

AH1293(YR33) 2 QIRSH K-293 AU STAINED	10
1939 10 PIASTRES K-367 TONED AU	20
1917 20 PIASTRES K-321 VF	45

ESTONIA

1922 MARK K-1 UNC LT STAIN	12
1931 5 SENTI K-11 UNC SPOT	12
1934 KROON K-16 XF	18

ETHIOPIA

EE1895A GERSH K-12 TND UNC	40

FINLAND

1895 10 PENNIA K-14 VF+	20
1867 MARKKA K-3.1 XF HARSHLY CLND	35
1874 MARKKA K-3.1 VF	12
1915 MARKKA K-3.2 UNC	20
1952H MARKKA BU COUPLE SPOTS	12
1872 2 MARKKA K-7.1 VF+ CLEANED	32
1960 1000 MARKKAA K-43 BAGGY AU	20

FRANCE

1851A CENTIME K-754 XF	12
1898A 5 CENTIMES K-826.1 UNC SOME RED	30
1900 10 CENTIMES K-843 UNC	14
1867BB 20 CENTIMES K-805.2 CH AU	20
1857A FRANC K-779.1 VF	22
1887A 2 FRANCS K-817.1 XF FL/FL OBV	20
1926 2 FRANCS K-877 VF BETTER DATE	12
1815M 5 FRANCS K-702.9 VF UNIFORM	110
1831D 5 FRANCS K-735.4 XF WEAK REV	30
1846A 5 FRANCS K-749.1 XF	45

FRENCH-GUIANA

1789A 2 SOUS KK-1 VF	20

FRENCH INDO-CHINA

1938 1/2 CENT K-20 UNC SOME RED	16
1900A 10 CENTIMES K-9 AU	70
1917 10 CENTS K-9 AU	80
1928 10 CENTS K-16.1 F KEY DATE	35

GABON

1972 100 FRANCS K-12 AU	10

GAMBIA

1970 4 SHILLINGS K-6 BU CROCODILE	10
1965-75 10 DALASIS K-16 UNC	15

GERMAN NEW GUINEA

1894 10 PFENNIG K-3 NICE BROWN UNC	275

GERMAN STATES:

ANHALT BERNBURG

1862 2 ½ SILBER GROSHCEN K-97 AU	35

ANHALT DESSAU

1876 2 MARK K-22 F/VF	210

ANHALT ZERBST

1766 PFENNIG K-51 VF+	45

BADEN

1863 GULDEN K-247 DARK AU LT CORR OBV SHOOTING FESTIVAL	125
1831 THALER K-195.1 F	150
1892 2 MARK K-269 VF BETTER DATE	80
1898 2 MARK K-269 XF CLND	100
1902 2 MARK K-271 DARK AU 50TH YR	25
1906 2 MARK K-276 XF WEDDING	24
1909 3 MARK K-281 VF+	24
1910 3 MARK K-280 XF OLD LT CLN	20
1875G 5 MARK K-263.2 VF	65
1876G 5 MARK K-263.1 VF+	140
1907G 5 MARK K-274 XF LT RB	125
1913G 5 MARK K-281 VF	38
1913G 5 MARK K-281 AU	140

BAVARIA

1765A HELLER K-534 VF 1 YR TYPE	25
1785 20 KREUZER K-557.1 VF LT ADJ	34
1754 1/2 THALER K-499 VF+	150
1756A THALER K-500.2 TONED AU+	250
1771 THALER K-519.1 F/VF	68
1771 THALER K-519.1 VF+ ADJ MARKS	90
1778 THALER K-563.1 TONED AU OVER CLN	150
1809 THALER K-706.1 VF+	1225
1827 THALER K-559 TONED AU OLD LT CLN TREATY 1 YR TYPE	400
1829 THALER K-738 AU COMMERC TREATY	550
1871 THALER K-889 AU SM RIM CUT REV	90
1855 2 GULDEN K-848 TONED AU MADONNA	110
1876D 2 MARK K-505 ABT VF	35
1888D 2 MARK K-905 AU KEY DATE	500
1896D 2 MARK K-913 VF CLND	15
1899D 2 MARK K-913 XF	28
1904D 2 MARK K-913 VF	14
1911D 2 MARK K-997 XF 90TH B-DAY	24
1911D 2 MARK K-997 AU 90TH B-DAY	25
1911D 2 MARK K-997 UNC 90TH B-DAY	45
1914D 2 MARK K-1002 UNC OLD LT CLN	70
1908D 3 MARK K-996 BU	85
1910D 3 MARK K-996 XF	24
1912D 3 MARK K-996 AU	38
1913D 3 MARK K-996 OLD CLN XF	22
1874D 5 MARK K-896 XF	160
1876D 5 MARK K-896 TONED XF OLD CLN	70
1891D 5 MARK K-915 VF	32
SHOOTING MEDAL "DEM BESTEN SCHUTZEN" VF	70

BERG

1806 3 STUBER K-10 VF	25

BIRKENFELD

1848 3 PFENNIG K-8 F	30

BRANDENBURG

1681 6 GR'SCHER K-429 AU	140

BREMEN

1866 2 ½ SCHWAREN K-234 XF	18

BRUNSWICK-LUNEBURG-CALENBERG-HANN

1732 PFENNIG K-205 F	14

BRUNSWICK WOLFENBUTTEL

1758 DENIER K-948 AU SOME WEAKNESS	40
1704 THALER D-2122 XF DEATH OF DUCHESS ELISABETH JULIANE	1,500

COESFELD

1691 6 PFENNIG K-9 F+	24

FRANKFURT

1849 HELLER K-327 VF	10
1847 2 GULDEN K-333 AU+	225
1861 THALER K-366 VF- 1 YR TYPE RARE	90

ELBERFELD

1847 BREAD TOKEN S-117 VF+	18

EAST FRIESLAND

1752F 1 MARIENGROSCHEN K-215 F	50

GHENT

1915 2 FRANC K-TN4 VF	25

HALL

1712 1/2 KREUZER K-7 XF	48

HAMBURG

1726 2 SCHILLING K-357 F	24
1726 2 SCHILLING K-357 VF+	55
1727 8 SCHILLING K-367 VF	55
1727 8 SCHILLING K-367 XF LT LAMINATION	85
1876J 2 MARK K-604 F	22
1902J 2 MARK K-612 VF	20
1907J 2 MARK K-604 VF+	34
1908J 3 MARK K-620 XF LT CLN	24
1876J 5 MARK K-598 VF-	42
1876J 5 MARK K-598 VF+	48
1823 1/100 MARKE K-TN1 XF	10

HAMM

1729 3 PFENNIG K-75 F	18

HERFORD

1670 6 PFENNIG K-17 G WEAK CENTER	10

HESSE-CASSEL

1771 ¼ THALER K-491 VF	58

HESSE-DARMSTADT

1834 KREUZER K-299 BU	65
1904 2 MARK K-372 VF HARSH CLN HITS	35
1876H 5 MARK K-353 VF+	120

JULICH BERG

1794 1/2 STUBER F+	12

LAUENBURG

1830FF 2/3 THALER K-25 AU SCARCE	450

LIPPE-DETMOLD

1840ST PFENNIG K-241 VF	16

LUBECK

1729 8 SCHILLING K-144 VF	65

MAINZ

1765 5 KREUZER K-349 VG	25

MECKLENBURG SCHWERIN

1848 1/12 THALER K-302 XF	28

MUNSTER

1746 3 PFENNIG K-171 F	15

NASSAU

1862 KREUZER K-74 XF+	10

NASSAU-WEILBURG

1559-93 PFENNIG UNIFACE OBVERSE FINE	60

NURNBERG

1763 THALER K-339 AU MIN RIM FLAW	350

OLDENBURG

1858B GROSCHEN K-194 AU	16

OSNABRUCK

1805 3 PFENNIG K-288 VG	10

PFALZ

1777 ¼ KREUZER K-437 VG	10

PRUSSIA

1775E 3 GROSCHER K-A328.2 VF+ OBV DIG	20
1735 PFENNIG K-217 VF/XF	80
1783 1/24 THALER SIM TO K-296 COPPER!	45
1818A THALER K-396 VF	48
1819A THALER K-396 VF CLND COUNTERMRK	48
1861A THALER K-488 VF+	45
1861A THALER K-488 XF	48
1866A THALER K-464 F	42
1871A THALER K-500 TONED AU/UNC	65
1876A 2 MARK K-506 VF	18
1877A 2 MARK K-506 F/VF	14
1888A 2 MARK K-510 XF CLND MT RMVD	25
1899A 2 MARK K-522 CLEANED UNC	48
1901A 2 MARK K-525 XF 200TH ANNV	18
1901A 2 MARK K-525 AU CLND 200TH ANNV	18
1904A 2 MARK K-522 UNC	50
1905A 2 MARK K-522 VF/XF	22
1907A 2 MARK K-522 XF CLND	20
1907A 2 MARK K-522 AU LT SCR CHEEK	25
1907A 2 MARK K-522 NICE TONED AU	35
1908A 2 MARK K-522 XF	20
1913A 2 MARK K-533 AU	17
1913A 2 MARK K-533 UNC 25TH YR	28
1910A 3 MARK K-527 XF/AU CLND	22
1911A 3 MARK K-527 XF	20
1912A 3 MARK K-527 AU+	26
1912A 3 MARK K-527 CH TND UNC	75
1913A 3 MARK K-535 UNC	35
1894A 5 MARK K-523 VF	32
1904A 5 MARK K-523 VF+	32
1907A 5 MARK K-523 XF	45
1908A 5 MARK K-523 XF	38
1913A 5 MARK K-536 XF RIM FL REV CLND	35
1913A 5 MARK K-536 XF/AU CLND	38
1913A 5 MARK K-536 AU	48
1913A 5 MARK K-536 UNC LT TONED	110
1914A 5 MARK K-536 AU CLND	38

REGENSBURG

1753 HELLER K-237 XF UNIFACE	26

REUSS OBERGREIZ

1819 3 PFENNIG K-103 F+	14
1899A 2 MARK K-128 UNC OLD HL'S RARE	600

ROSTOCK

1682 PFENNIG K-95 VF+	75
1859 3 PFENNIG K-140 VF+	28

SAXONY

1623(SWAN) 1/24 THALER K-71 XF	90
1624 1/24 THALER K-798 VF	40
1628HI 1/24 THALER K-71 VF+	75
1854F 1/3 THALER K-1177 XF LT POLISH	48
1848F THALER K-1175 VF/XF	75
1859F 2 THALER K-1195 BU	450
1877E 2 MARK K-1238 F	32
1903E 2 MARK K-1261 DARK VF	32
1904E 2 MARK K-1257 VF	38
1911E 3 MARK K-1267 TONED XF	25
1913E 3 MARK K-1275 BU BATTLE	35
1875E 5 MARK K-1238 DARK F/VF	48
1894E 5 MARK K-1246 VF/XF CLND	55
1901E 5 MARK K-1246 ABT XF	95
1914E 5 MARK K-1266 BU FEW LT SCR'S	90

SOEST

1740 3 PFENNIG K-68 ROUGH FINE	18

STOLBERG

1722 PFENNIG K-144 VF	35

TRIER

1660 1/2 PETERMENGER K-121 XF+ ROMAN	100

WIED-RUNKEL

1756 1/4 STUBER K-3 V/VF	22

WISMAR

1755F 3 PFENNIG K-130 VF ERROR DOUBLE STRUCK ONE STRIKE 40% OFF	190

WURTTEMBERG

1904F 2 MARK K-631 VF	12
1906F 2 MARK K-631 XF CLND	22
1906F 2 MARK K-631 XF	24
1907F 2 MARK K-631 VF	12
1908F 2 MARK K-631 AU CLND	28
1874F 5 MARK K-623 DARK VF+	65
1875F 5 MARK K-623 VF+	75
1904F 5 MARK K-632 VF/XF	38
1904F 5 MARK K-632 TONED XF	45

WURZBURG

1795 SCHILLING K-443 XF	24

GERMANY

1889J PFENNIG K-1 XF	10
1893F PFENNIG K-10 VF	15
1948D PFENNIG K-101 RED BU	25
1926E 5 REICHSPFENNIG K-39 XF	30
1906A 10 PFENNIG K-12 UNC	25
1923G 10 RENTENPFENNIG K-33 VF	10
1924F 10 RENTENPFENNIG K-33 UNC	15
1939E 10 REICHSPFENNIG K-92 UNC	100
1887A 20 PFENNIG K-9.1 CH UNC BOLD	38
1887F 20 PFENNIG K-9.1 VF	15
1910J 25 PFENNIG K-18 UNC	25
1877B 50 PFENNIG K-8 F+	14
1877B 50 PFENNIG K-8 VF	25
1913A 1/2 MARK K-17 BU	22
1914A 1/2 MARK K-17 NICE TND UNC	14
1912F MARK K-14 XF/AU	22
1912J MARK K-14 VF/XF KEY DATE	28
1934F 2 R'SMARK K-84 UNC SCHILLER	55
1922A 3 MARK K-28 BU SM WHITE SPOT	14
1924A 3 R'SMARK K-43 CH TONED UNC	58
1927A 3 R'SMARK K-50 XF BREMERHAVEN	150
1927A 3 R'SMARK K-50 BU BREMERHAVEN	225
1929D 3 R'SMARK K-60 XF LESSING	80
1929E 3 R'SMARK K-65 VF MEISSEN	60
1967 5 MARK K-820.1 GEM UNC	15
1972G 10 MARK UNC OLYMPIC GAMES	14
1923J 200 MARK K-35 UNC	10
1927D SILVER MEDAL HINDENBURG AU GOETZ	50

GREAT BRITAIN

1839 1/4 FARTHING K-737 PITTED F	14
1844 ½ FARTHING K-738 UNC	70
ND FARTHING W-467 VF GEORGE EVASION	160
1674 FARTHING K-436.1 VF+	160
1822 FARTHING K-677 XF/AU	60
1823 FARTHING K-677 CH AU SM FL/FL	65
1830 FARTHING K-697 VF+	30
1866 FARTHING K-747.2 XF	30
1881H FARTHING K-753 AU	30
1899 FARTHING K-788.2 UNC	25
1300 PENNY VF EDWARD I	40
1831 PENNY K-707 VF+ OLD LT WIPE OBV	48
1831 PENNY K-707 XF	220
1856 PENNY K-727 CH UNC LT TND MAUNDY	75

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1902 PENNY K-794.2 R&B CH UNC	48
1905 PENNY K-794.2 AU	35
1929 PENNY K-838 UNC	30
1951 PENNY K-869 MOSTLY RED CU	40
1834 1 ½ PENCE K-719 XF	40
1687 3 PENCE K-450 F JAMES II	38
1886 3 PENCE K-730 TONED AU+	48
1902 3 PENCE K-797.1 DARK XF	12
1905 3 PENCE K-797.2 AU	18
1838/8 4 PENCE K-731.1 XF	40
1899 4 PENCE K-778 PL OLD WIPE	45
1877 6 PENCE K-751.1 AU	95
1881 6 PENCE K-757 XF	30
1889 6 PENCE K-760 UNC OLD WIPE	40
1906 6 PENCE K-799 AU	40
1873 SHILLING K-734.2 AU/UNC DIE 135	160
1885 SHILLING K-734.4 LT TND UNC	150
1890 SHILLING K-774 DEEP TONED XF	45
1900 SHILLING K-780 XF TONED	40
1902 SHILLING K-800 DARK AU	38
1907 SHILLING K-800 XF	45
1910 SHILLING K-800 VF/XF STAINED OBV	15
1916 SHILLING K-816 XF	18
1943 SHILLING K-853 BU	15
1859 FLORIN K-746.1 VG	20
1891 FLORIN K-762 XF TND OVER LT CLN	90
1898 FLORIN K-781 AU	58
1900 FLORIN K-781 UNC	90
1904 FLORIN K-801 XF+	58
1918 FLORIN K-817 AU	28
1891 1/2 CROWN K-764 DARK VF	24
1915 1/2 CROWN K-818.10 XF	24
1918 1/2 CROWN K-818.1 AU	35
1808 CROWN RETRO BU	10
1821 CROWN K-680.1 XF/AU RN'S	480
1937 CROWN K-857 AU	28
1908B TRADE $ K-TN5 AU/UNC OLD CLN	325
GREAT BRITAIN – TOKENS	
1794 1/2 PENNY D&H-1 AU	150
GREECE	
1851 2 LEPTA K-31 F/VF BENT SCARCE	26
2004 10 EURO K-191 PRF DISCUS	30
GREENLAND	
1926 25 ORE K-5 UNC	28
1926 25 ORE K-5 CH UNC	38
1926 50 ORE K-7 GEM UNC	50
1926 KRONE K-8 VF	15
1926 KRONE K-8 VF+	18
1926 KRONE K-8 BU	40
1957 KRONE K-10 XF	15
1964 KRONE K-10A BU	38
1944 5 KRONER K-9 AU IRREG TONE CLND?	45
GUADELOUPE	
1903 50 CENTIMES K-45 VF+	28
GUERNSEY	
1902H DOUBLE K-10 NEAR GEM RED UNC	22
1938H DOUBLE K-11 RED UNC	10
1889H 4 DOUBLES K-5 CH RED UNC	28
GUINEA BISSAU	
1995 2000 PESOS K-42 UNC	10
HONDURAS	
1869 1/8 REAL K-30 NEAR GEM	80
1912 2 CENTAVO K-69 VF/XF REPUNCH DATE	50
1937 LEMPERA K-75 AU	18
HONG KONG	
1904H CENT K-11 XF+	10
HUNGARY	
1046-1060 DENAR H-4.1 AU/UNC	140
1876KB FORINT K-453.1 DARK XF	16
1948BP 50 FILLER K-536 GEM	50
ICELAND	
1925 25 AURAR K-2.1 UNC	15
INDIA	
1858 1/4 ANNA K-463.21 CH R&B UNC	58
1908 ANNA K-504 XF	50
1841 2 ANNAS K-459.1 VF BENT	15
1841 2 ANNAS K-460.3 VF	18
1878 2 ANNAS K-488 VG BETTER DATE	18
1835 1/4 RUPEE K-448.3 VF	48
1862 1/4 RUPEE K-470 F	12
1862 1/4 RUPEE K-470 VF	22
1875 1/4 RUPEE K-470 VF	25
1881C 1/4 RUPEE K-490 VF	40
1884B 1/4 RUPEE K-490 VF	25
1885 1/4 RUPEE K-490 VF	25
1887 1/4 RUPEE K-490 VF	25
1835 1/2 RUPEE K-449.3 F-	75
1835 1/2 RUPEE K-449.3 VF	125
1835 1/2 RUPEE K-449.3 VF/XF	160
1899B 1/2 RUPEE K-491 VF INVERTED B	150
1939C 1/2 RUPEE K-550 AU	28
1969 PAISA PROOF	12
1970B 5 PAISE PROOF	25
1969B 50 PAISE PROOF	25
1969B 10 RUPEES K-185 SL BAGGY UNC	24
1969B 10 RUPEES K-185 UNC GHANDI	28
1982B 10 RUPEES K-197 TONED UNC GAMES	38
1936 CROWN X-90A PROOF	30
INDIA-BENGAL	
AH1195 YR.22 ½ ANNA K-126 VF	25
INDIA-BOMBAY	
1833 1/4 ANNA K-232 VF+	15
INIDA-FRENCH	
1693 KAS K-32 VF PONDICHERY	15
INDIA-MEWAR	
1928 RUPEE K-22 AU	25
INDIA-PRATABGAR	
1886 PAISA K-31 VG	15
IRAN	
MS2535 50 DINARS K-1156A UNC	12
AH1320 5000 DINARS K-376 XF	35
AH1343 5000 DINARS K-1058 F	28
SH1306 5000 DINARS K-1106 TONED AU	48
SH1306 5000 DINARS K-1106 AU+	75
IRAQ	
1931 50 FILS K-100 VG/F	18
1931 50 FILS K-100 F	25
1937 50 FILS K-104 VF	14
ISLE OF MAN	
1999 CROWN K-930A SILVER HURLDERS	30
ISRAEL	
1961 5 LIROT K-33 PRF	38
1967 10 LIROT K-49 BU WALL	38
1986 NEW SHEQEL K-164 BU	16
1986 2 NEW SHEQEL K-165 PRF	32
ITALY	
1863M 20 CENTESIMI K-13.1 VF+	15
1867M LIRA K-5A.1 LT TND XF/AU	58
1910 2 LIRE K-46 VF QUADRIGA	100
1872 5 LIRE K-8.3 VF	30
1879 5 LIRE K-20 TONED VF RN'S	45
1926 5 LIRE K-67.1 XF	25
1927 10 LIRE K-68.1 XF/AU TND OLD CLN	20
1929 10 LIRE K-68.1 TONED AU/UNC	140
1961 500 LIRE K-99 CH BU UNIFICATION	14
1965 100 LIRE K-100 PL BU DANTE	14
EMILIA	
1859 50 CENTESIMI K-7 AU+ LT CLN	650
NAPLES	
1855 120 GRANA K-370 AU	120
1856 120 GRANA K-370 XF+	95
1858 120 GRANA K-370 VF/XF OLD CLN	50
PAPAL STATES	
1753 BAICCO K-156 F	15
1796 2 1/2 BAIOCCHI K-1240 XF SOME VERTIGRIS	80
1865R XXR 20 BAIOCCHI K-1360	12
1867R AN XXI 10 SOLDI K-1386.1 TND AU+	20
SARDINIA	
1826P 5 CENTESIMI C-100.1 SPOTS REV	14
IVORY COAST	
2007 2500 FRANCS K-E2 ESSAI	45
JAPAN	
1871 5 SEN Y-6.1 VF 66 RAYS	65
1870 20 SEN Y-3 VF	20
1882 YEN Y-A25.2 AU	300
1892 YEN Y-A25.3 FLASHY UNC LT CLN	200
1895 YEN Y-A25.3 XF/AU	90
1904 YEN Y-A25.3 XF/AU	90
KOREA	
1907 5 CHON K-1126 VF	20
KOREA, SOUTH	
1961 50 HWAN K-2 UNC	10
LAO	
2002 15,000 KIP PRF COLORIZED HORSE	45
LATVIA	
1931 5 LATI K-9 AU+	38
LEBANON	
1929 50 PIATRES K-8 VF	38
LESOTHO	
1979 10 MALOTI K-24 PRF	35
LITHUANIA	
1925 5 CENTAI K-72 AU	15
1925 20 CENTU K-74 AU	20
1925 20 CENTU K-74 TONED UNC	85
1936 5 LITAI K-82 NICE UNC	POR
LUXEMBROUG	
1918 5 CENTIMES K-30 UN SM RUST SPOT	18
MACAO	
1952 5 PATACAS K-5 BU	22
MARTINIQUE	
1922 50 CENTIMES K-40 VG+	18
MALAYSIA-KELATIN	
1903 PITIS K-15 UNC	25
MALAYSIA-TRENGGANU	
1793 PITIS K-21 F	15
MAURTANIA	
1974 OUGUIYA K-6 BU	15
1999 20 OUGUIYA K-5 BU	10
MAURITIUS	
1987 RUPEE K-55 PROOF	10
1975 25 RUPEES K-40A PROOF	30
MEXICO	
1879CN 8 REALES K-377.3 AU	90
1892HO 8 REALES K-377.9 AU+ HL'S	80
1892ZS 8 REALES K-377.13 XF	70
1895ZS 8 REALES K-377.13 UNC HL'S	70
1890 CENTAVO K-391.6 UNC	18
1911 CENTAVO K-415 BU FEW SM SPOTS REV	18
1915 CENTAVO K-415 VF	15
1915 CENTAVO K-416 VF+ ZAPATA	20
1924 5 CENTAVOS K-422 F	20
1929 5 CENTAOVS K-422 AU	35
1934 5 CENTAVOS K-422 CH BRN UNC	30
1919 10 CENTAVOS K-429 XF 1 YR TYPE	10
1956 10 CETNAVOS K-433 CH R&B UNC	10
1900MO 20 CENTAVOS K-405.3 TONED UNC	80
1914 20 CENTAVOS K-435 BU	45
1930 20 CENTAVOS K-438 GEM UNC	40
1881ZS 25 CENT K-406.9 F+ SL OFF CNTR	18
1878GO 50 CENTAVOS K-407.4 VF-	22
2002 ONZA BU SILVER LIBERTAD	50
2003 ONZA BU SILVER LIBERTAD	44
2005 ONZA BU SILVER LIBERTAD	55
MONACO	
1924 2 FRANCS K-115 VF	10
MONGOLIA	
1980 25 TUGRIK K-39.2 PROOF	45
2002 1000 TUGRIK K-199 BU	35
MOROCCO	
1953 100 FRANCS Y-52 UNC	14
1956 500 FRANCS Y-54 TND UNC	35
MOZAMBIQUE	
1982 METICAL K-99 BU	15
NETHERLANDS	
1901 1/2 CENT K-109 REDDISH UNC	15
1912 1/2 CENT K-138 CH UNC	15
1924 CENT K-152 XF SCARCE DATE	28
1907 5 CENTS K-137 CH UNC	14
1895 10 CENTS K-116 XF	100
1897 10 CENTS K-116 VF+	14
1903 10 CENTS K-135 VF 1 YR TYPE	12
1906 10 CENTS K-136 VF	10
1906 10 CENTS K-136 AU	25
1910 10 CENTS K-145 XF	25
1902 25 CENTS K-120.2 TONED AU RARE	50
1903 25 CENTS K-120.2 AU/UNC	60
1905 1/2 GULDEN K-121.2 VF	25
1908 GULDEN K-122.2 VF CLND	20
1944 GULDEN K-161.2 LT TONED UNC	35
1874 2 ½ GULDEN K-82 AU CLND	48
1964 2 ½ GULDEN K-7 UNC	20
NEW ZEALAND	
1941 3 PENCE K-8 AU CLND	35
1943 3 PENCE K-7 UNC	10
1935 SHILLING K-3 VF	12
1934 FLORIN K-4 XF	18
1935 FLORIN K-4 XF	30
1935 1/2 CROWN K-5 VF+	28
NICARAGUA	
1912H 10 CENTAVOS K-13 XF	20
NORWAY	
1964 10 KRONER K-413 BU	22
PALESTINE	
1941 MIL K-1 R&B UNC	20
1934 10 MILS K-4 VF	18
1931 50 MILS K-6 F KEY DATE	48
1935 50 MILS K-6 IRREG TONED XF	15
1939 50 MILS K-6 UNC LT HL'S	24
PANAMA	
1935 CENTESIMO K-14 AU	10
1907 2 ½ CENTESIMOS K-7.1 AU+	18
1916 2 ½ CENTESIMOS K-7.2 XF	20
1929 2 ½ CENTESIMOS K-8 AU	25
1904 5 CENTESIMOS K-2 XF	14
1916 5 CENTESIMOS K-2 VF RN KEY DATE	75
1916 5 CENTESIMOS K-2 VF KEY DATE	100
1929 5 CENTESIMOS K-9 XF	12
1904 25 CENTESIMOS K-4 TND VF	22
1904 50 CENTESIMOS K-5 XF/AU	80
1930 1/10 BALBOA K-10.1 AU	10
1930 1/2 BALBOA K-12.1 XF	30
1934 1/2 BALBOA K-12.1 VF	22
1970 5 BALBOAS K-28 BU	28
PERU	
1810JP REAL K-109 G IMAGINARY BUST	100
1818JP 2 REALES K-115.1 G	32
1841LIMAE 8 REALES K-142.8 XF WEAK OBV FAINT LIGHT GRAFFITI	90
1906/806 ½ DINERO K-206.2 BU	12
1907 DINERO K-204.2 BU	15
1916 SOL K-196.28 NICE UNC	48
PHILIPPINES	
1926M CENTAVO K-163 AU/UNC	14
1926M CENTAVO K-163 CH UNC	30
1933 CENTAVO K-163 UNC	15
1941 10 CENTAVOS K-181 CH UNC	18
1947S 50 CENTAVOS K-184 BU	18
1907S PESO K-172 XF CLND	28
1908S PESO K-172 XF CLND	38
1908S PESO K-172 AU TONED OVER LT WIPE	48
PHILIPPINES-CULION	
1930 10 CENTAVOS K-10 XF	85
1920 20 CENTAVO K-12 VF+ SOME SPOTTING	70
1913 PESO K-14 XF TYP OXID SM EAGLE	80
POLAND	
1386-1434 ½ GROSCHEN S-2767 VG	10
PUERTO RICO	
1896 5 CENTAVOS K-20 F/VF	35
1896 10 CENTAVOS K-21 VG	30
1895 20 CENTAVOS K-22 TONED AU	225
1895 PESO K-24 AU COLORFUL REVERSE	850
PORTUGAL	
1932 10 ESCUDOS K-582 UNC CLND	22
1960 3 PC SET 5, 10, 20 ESCUDOS K-587,8,9 BU	60
ROMANIA	
1946 100000 LEI K-71 BAGGY UNC	32
RUSSIA	
1896 1/2 KOPEK Y-48.1 AU	22
1899 1/2 KOPEK R&B UNC	15
1910 1/2 KOPEK Y-48.1 UNC	40
1911 1/2 KOPEK Y-48.1 XF	18
1912 1/2 KOPEK Y-48.1 AU	17
1735 DENGA K-188 XF FLAN CLIP	35
1798 DENGA C-93.2 XF CORROSION	18
1844EM KOPEK C-144.1 AU LAMINATION REV	28
1799EM 2 KOPEKS C-95.3 XF CRUDE SM SILVER DROPS OBV	25
1800EM 2 KOPEKS C-95.3 XF DETAILS	20
1811 2 KOPEKS C-118 VF	12
1813 2 KOPEKS C-118.4 VF/XF	20
1964 2 KOPEKS Y-127A BU KEY DATE	25
1915 3 KOPEKS Y-11.3 AU SOME RED	15
1781EM 5 KOPEKS C-59.3 AU++	100
1890 5 KOPEKS Y-19A.1 XF	10
1911 5 KOPEKS Y-12.2 VF/XF	55
1909 10 KOPEK Y-20A.2 XF	12
1913 10 KOPEK Y-20A.2 CH UNC	60
1914 10 KOPEK Y-20A.2 CH UNC	35
1915 10 KOPEK Y-20A.3 CH UNC	12
1905 15 KOPEK Y-21A.2 F	15
1915 15 KOPEK Y-21A.3 UNC	14
1902 20 KOPEK Y-22A.1 XF	125
1910 20 KOPEK Y-22A.1 AU/UNC	28
1914 20 KOPEK Y-22A.1 BU	20
1923 20 KOPEK Y-82 XF	15
1913 50 KOPEK Y-58.2 AU CLND/POLISH	40
1921 50 KOPEK Y-83 AU LT SCR OBV	25
1922 50 KOPEK Y-83 XF	22
1922 50 KOPEK Y-83 AU	45
1924 50 KOPEK Y-89.1 VF	12
1896 ROUBLE Y-59.3 DARK VF	48
1896 ROUBLE Y-59.3 F/VF	40
1900 ROUBLE Y-59.3 F/VF CLND	45
1913 ROUBLE Y-70 ABT XF	120
1924 ROUBLE Y-90.1 UNC TONED HL'S	70
1993 3 ROUBLES Y-409 PRF BEAR	160
SAINT VINCENT	
1970 $4 K-13 PRF	38
SAINT KITTS NEVIS	
1970 $4 K-1 PRF	38
SAINT LUCIA	
1970 $4 K-11 BU	32
SAN MARINO	
1935 5 CENTESIMI K-12 GEM RED LT TONE	14
1938 10 CENTESIMI K-13 GEM RED LT TONE	14
SENEGAL	
1975 50 FRANCS K-75 CH UNC	150
SARAWAK	
1870 CENT K-6 ABT XF	22
SOUTH AFRICA Z.A.R.	
1898 PENNY K-2 BRN UNC	35
1893 6 PENCE K-4 XF LT SCR'S	50
1894 SHILLING K-5 VF+	40
1896 SHILLING K-5 AU CLND	90
1897 SHILLING K-5 AU	28
1896 2 SHILLINGS K-6 VF+	20
1897 2 SHILLINGS K-6 VF+	18
1897 2 SHILLINGS K-6 AU	85
SPAIN	
1896 PESETA K-708 VF+	15
1881 2 PESETAS K-678.2 VF	12
1898 5 PESETAS K-707 AU	40
1949(49) 50 PESETAS K-778 UNC	38
1957(71) 50 PESETAS K-788 BU	285
SPANISH NETHERLANDS	
1710 LIARD K-37 VG	20
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS	
1872H 1/2 CENT K-8 XF CLND LAQUERED	40
1889 CENT K-16 XF	80
1897 CENT K-16 CH UNC MOTTLED TONING	140
1893 10 CENTS K-11 VF+	28
SWEDEN	
1627 FYRK K-110 VF	100
1586 DALER D-8705 XF JOHAN III STOCKHOM MINT TONING OVER FAINT RUB STILL LOOKS ORGINAL AND PLEASANT	1,800
1633 ORE K-153 VF CLIPPED CHRISTINA	60
1686 ORE K-284B NICE VF+ LRG COPPER	120
1753 5 ORE K-462 VF	55
1882 10 ORE K-755 F	15
1875 25 ORE K-738 F	18
1878 25 ORE K-738 F	30
1899 50 ORE K-740 VF	15
1888 KRONA VG	15
1898 KRONA K-760 VG	14
1942 KRONA K-786.2 VF KEY	40
1877 2 KRONOR K-742 F	15
SWITZERLAND	
1864 RAPPEN K-3.1 DARK AU PERHAPS CLND	250
1911 RAPPEN K-3.2 UNC	15
1932 RAPPEN K-3.2 RED UNC	10
1897 2 RAPPEN K-4.2 VF	15
1936 2 RAPPEN K-4.2A R&B UNC	10
1918 5 RAPPEN K-26A	10
1918 10 RAPPEN K-27A VF BRASS	10
1859 20 RAPPEN K-7 VF	10
1925 5 FRANCS K-38 AU OLD LT CLN	100
1941 5 FRANCS K-44 BU 650TH ANNIV	38
SWITZERLAND-GENEVA	
1839 CENTIME K-125 UNC	28
SWITZERLAND-SCHWYZ	
1797 RAPPEN K-41 F	28
SWITZERLAND-ZURICH	
1690 1/2 THALER K-102 VF	180
TATARSTAN	
1993 10 LITRES K-TN2 UNC	12
TIBET	
1936(16-10) 3 SRANG Y-26 UNC CLND	180
TONKIN	
1905 1/600 PISTRES K-1 UNC	38
TURKEY	
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Pearson's article states, "[It] would appear to be that Sponsian should be rehabilitated as a historical personage," continuing, "These observations force a re-evaluation of Sponsian as a historical personage. We suggest he was most likely an army commander in the isolated Roman Province of Dacia during the military crisis of the 260s C.E."

According to a November 26 CNN report, "[Pearson] said that the researchers wanted to start a conversation with Roman historians and archaeologists to try and test their hypothesis about Sponsian."

While UG professor Dr. Adrastos Omissi hailed the study as "a really convincing argument for the existence of Sponsian and of him being a real emperor" British Museum Roman and Iron Age Coins Curator Richard Abdy said, "It's circular evidence. They're saying because of the coin there's the person, and the person therefore must have made the coin."

Numerous numismatists disagree with Pearson. Among them is Katholieke Universiteit Leuven Department of Ancient History member Nick Vaneerdewegh, who explained his view.in his recent Mihai-Bogdan AtanasiuForum Numismatic posting. Vaneerdewegh points out "they [Sponsian coins] formed part of a larger assemblage including types copying or basing themselves on Republican and Roman Imperial coins."

According to Vaneerdewegh, "I don't see why it is so likely that a forger would have cast all differing types in one operation. It is perfectly thinkable he created each group at differing times and/or with different metal before selling the whole."

Vaneerdewegh continues, "It was determined that the real aurei were struck, all other coins were cast (for the Sponsian this is visible at a glance)."

As a third major point of contention Vaneerdewegh addresses the study of wear on the Sponsian coins. "This is a curious choice for one seeking to investigate third-century gold coinage as gold in particular was generally rapidly hoarded." He also points out, "The Sponsian coins are much heavier than the regular gold coinage struck during the third century."

A fourth major point made by Vaneerdewegh regards the obverse legend Imp Sponsiant, which is genitive rather than nominative or dative case as is standard on Roman coins. "Therefore," says Vaneerdewegh, "Our 'unique' coins just became even more unique!"

Most numismatists appear to agree with Vaneerdewegh that the Sponsian coin study may be interesting, but it doesn't prove the coins are genuine, nor is the individual named on them.

Vaneerdewegh concludes, "The authors thought they struck gold, but sadly, it was fool's gold."

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The recent theft of a hoard of gold Celtic coins in Germany may be linked to the theft of an enormous Canadian gold coin in 2017.

A hoard of 483 ancient Celtic gold coins was stolen in late November from a museum in Manching, Germany. The sophistication of the theft is suggesting to police the theft may be connected to the previous theft of a gigantic gold coin from a museum in Berlin in 2017 as well as the theft of priceless jewels in Dresden.

According to police, it took the thieves nine minutes to steal the hoard. Bavaria's State Criminal Police Office Deputy Director Guido Limmer said the thieves cut the cables at a telecom hub less than a mile from the Celtic and Roman Museum in Manching where the coins were stored. Communications networks throughout the region were knocked out as a result.

The perpetrators pried open a door about 1:26 am, taking nine minutes to smash a display cabinet and take the coins. There was no guard at the museum at that time.

Bavaria Minister of Science and Arts Markus Blume said, "It's clear that you don't simply march into a museum and take this treasure with you. It's highly secured and as such there's a suspicion that we're rather dealing with a case of organized crime."

Limmer added, "Whether there's a link we can't say. Only this much: we are in touch with colleagues to investigate all possible angles."

The scyphate or cup-shaped gold coins date from about 100 BC. The coins were produced from Bohemian River gold and demonstrate how the Celtic settlement at Manching had links across Europe, according to Bavarian State Archaeological Collection Director Rupert Gebhard in nearby Munich. Gebhard said the hoard was of great value both for the local community in Manching and for archaeologists throughout Europe.

The Celtic coins were discovered at an ancient Manching settlement in 1999. The find is considered to be the biggest trove of Celtic gold discovered during the 20th century. Gebhard has suggested the size of the find suggests it could have been "the war chest of a tribal chief." The coins were discovered inside a sack buried beneath the foundations of a building. Police reports indicated a "lump of unworked gold" associated with the

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coins was also stolen.

Gebhard said, “The archaeologists hope that the coins remain in their original state and reappear again at some point. The worst option, the melting down, would mean a total loss for us.”

The treasure has been estimated to be worth about $1.65 million. Gebhard acknowledged it would be challenging for someone to attempt to sell the coins rather than melt them. There is concern the coins were melted immediately for their bullion value. This is what appears to have happened to the massive “Big Maple Leaf,” a 100 kilogram or 220-pound Canadian gold coin estimated to be valued at $4.05 million that was stolen from the Bode Museum in Berlin in 2017. Police have evidence the huge coin was cut into smaller pieces for its gold content.

Three related men were convicted of the Bode Museum theft three years later, however, lead prosecutor of the case Thomas Schulz-Spirohn said his office was continuing to investigate what the press has referred to as the Remmo family who are believed to have taken part in that theft.

Limmer said Interpol and Europol have been alerted to the theft of the Celtic coins. A 20-man special investigation unit codenamed Oppidum (a Latin term for a Celtic settlement) has also been established to find who stole the hoard.

According to the paper Celtic Gold in Bohemia written by J. Waldhauser published in Prehistoric Gold in Europe, Mines, Metallurgy and Manufacture, “Bohemia (ancient “Boiohaemum”) played an important role in the production of gold. The significance of this valuable resource in Celtic society, and as an article for export, is demonstrated by the fact that gold production in Bohemia amounted in Celtic times to an estimated total of 17.4 tons.”

According to a Money Museum (American Numismatic Association) report titled Celtic Coins and their Archetypes, “On their campaigns the Celts encountered many exotic things – coins, for instance. From the beginning of the 3rd century, the Celts started to strike their own coins. Initially, their issued were copies of Greek, Roman and other money. Soon, however, the Celts started to modify the Greek and Roman designs according to their own taste and fashion. By sheer abstraction they managed to transform foreign models into typically Celtic artworks, which are often almost modern looking.”

TOMARES TREASURE MYSTERY SOLVED

We read about a treasure or hoard at the time of its discovery, but the significance of such a coin find may take years to unravel and seldom grabs the same headlines. It is only recently that the story behind the ancient coin hoard find known as the Tomares Treasure has been concluded by the University of Seville in Spain six years after its discovery.

The Tomares Treasure was discovered April 27, 2016 at El Aljarafe, Seville province when 19 large ceramic containers filled with thousands of Roman coins was encountered at a construction project. Unfortunately, the excavator bucket broke 10 of the amphorae. The findings concluded from studying the treasure have been recently reported in Currency and metal in Late Antiquity: the Treasure of Tomares or Zaudín.

According to the report published by archaeologists and coin experts from the University of Seville, the amphorae and the coins were taken to the Provincial Archaeology Museum of Seville, where the nine unbroken containers were numbered from one to nine; the broken ones that still contained coins were labeled with the numbers 10 and 11; while the other eight containers, destroyed and with their contents scattered in the excavation ditch (22,288 coins) were dubbed ‘ordinary collection.’ Technicians returned to the site and recovered another 102 coins. The nine unbroken amphorae had yet to be opened at the time the report was published.

The study would involve the Archaeological Institute of Seville, University of Seville’s departments of Prehistory and Archaeology, and the Nuclear Physics and the National Center of Accelerators.

El Zaudín, where the coins were encountered, is a plateau about a hundred meters high overlooking the Guadalquivir countryside. The area has been inhabited since the Chalcolithic or Copper Age. The site has served as the Phoenician sanctuary of El Carambolo and as the Roman city of Híspalis. The archaeological dig included a geo-radar survey and a stratigraphic survey. It was concluded a first century A.D. warehouse had been built, then abandoned during the fourth century. The fourth century is when the coins were deliberately hidden under the building’s portico. It was concluded the site was an agri-food complex that included an aristocrat’s home, buildings for food production, and living quarters for the workers.

The study included 3,120 coins that had been scattered, and 2,798 more from the broken amphora number 11. This represents about 10 percent of the treasure. According to the report, this is “a sufficient and reliable percentage to make some preliminary observations regarding the composition of the sample that can be extrapolated to the entire set.”

The Andalusian Institute of Historical Heritage inserted special micro-cameras into amphorae 10 and 11 to confirm the amphorae were filled with coins rather than including soil. It was concluded the coins were all inserted at the same time. It was also concluded each container holds about 2,800 coins, all of which was concluded were of the same alloy. Each amphorae had initially contained oil. Since each is of the same size the size of the hoard is estimated to be about 53,000 coins.

The coins that were analyzed were minted between 294 A.D. and 311 during the reign of the emperors Diocletian, Maximian, Constantius, Galerius, Constantine, Severus, Maximinus, Licinius and Maxentius. The coins were minted at Alexandria, Antioch, Aquileia, Carthage, Cyzicus, Heraklea, Londinium, Lugdunum, Nicomedia, Ostia, Rome, Siscia, Thessalonica, Ticinum, and Treveris. Most of the sample depict Diocletian and were minted at Carthage; this being encouraged by contemporary inflationary pressures. As inflation expanded the weight of the coins and their silver composition percentage became increasingly debased. A pound of silver was used to strike 32 coins in 294, but this same pound of silver was used to strike 40 coins in 307, 48 coins in 309, and 72 coins between 310 and 311.

According to the research report, Diocletian reform triggered "political uncertainty and conflicts between the rulers," continuing, "These and other factors explain the large amount of coins that were found, as only in large numbers could payments of a certain level be undertaken."

According to Coinage and History of the Roman Empire by David L. Vagi, "He [Diocletian] also re-introduced high-purity silver in the form of the argenteus… However, this attempt failed as his argentei—the first coins of good silver to have been struck empire-wide in about four decades—were quickly removed from the marketplace."

Vagi continues, "He engaged in a massive recall of earlier coins (including stray provincial pieces), which were melted down. Furthermore, he nearly doubled the number of mints (from 8 to 14) and ceased the production of provincial coinage at Alexandria entirely."

The Tomares Treasure is one of the largest coin finds from the Roman period of the Tetrarchy. According to the study, "It is only surpassed in size by that of Misurata, in Libya, and constitutes a top-tier testimony of monetary circulation at the beginning of the 4th century in the south of the Iberian Peninsula. Its composition is also an immense archive in which to study the vicissitudes (devaluations, changes in weight) of the economic policy of the emperors of the Tetrarchy, a time when the manipulation of currency was an important economic resource in the hands of public authorities."

CANADA, AUSTRALIA MOURN QUEEN

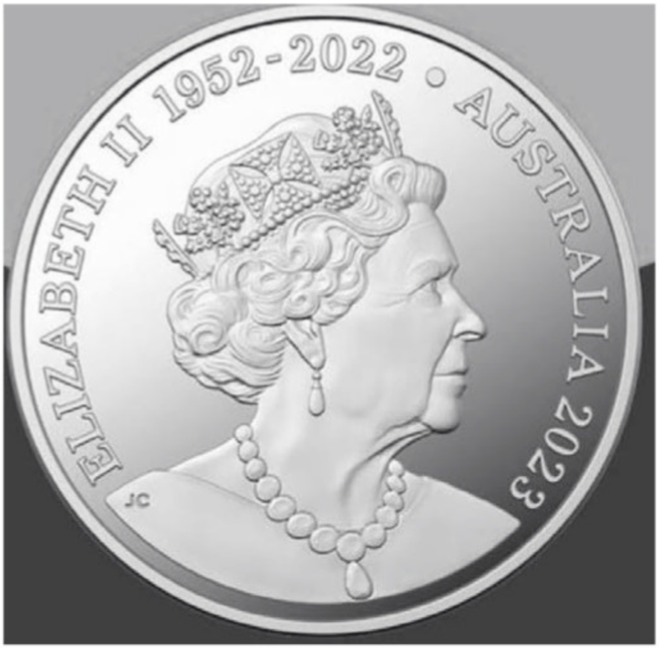
Queen Elizabeth II died on September 8. On December 8 the Royal Canadian Mint made the unprecedented move of mourning the queen with a special $2 coin. About the same date the Royal Australian Mint began issuing circulation coins on which the late queen is portrayed as in the past, but with the subtle obverse dates 1952-2022 added to the legend.

The mourning coin is a first for each of these and a first for any of the many Commonwealth countries of which Elizabeth ruled as their monarch.

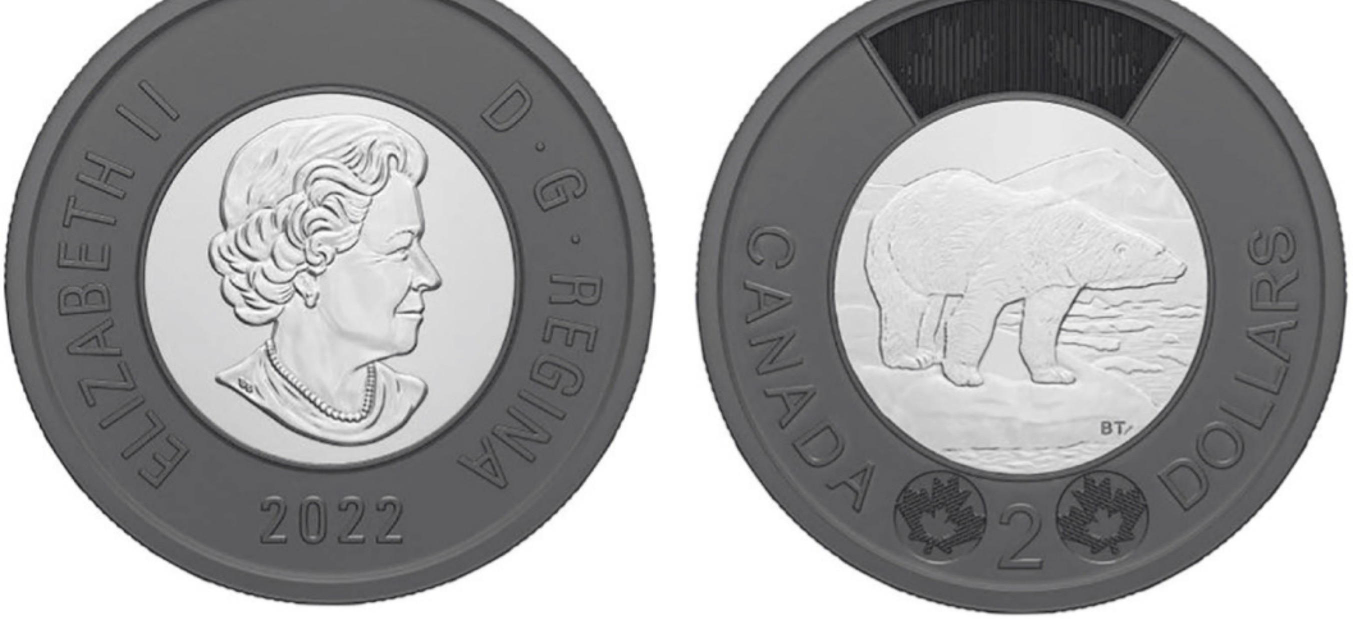
According to Australian coin expert Joel Kandiah, the change to Australia's coins will involve all collectible and investment coins released during 2023, however the mourning coins will retain the Jody Clark image of the queen and the date 2022. Coins dated 2023 will depict the effigy of King Charles III. Nothing had been officially released at the time this article was being written about if Elizabeth's son Charles, who is now king will appear on future Canadian coins or bank notes.

According to an RCM press release, "This new coin is distinguished by its black outer ring reminiscent of a mourning armband, echoing the loss felt by millions of Canadians upon the passing of their queen."

RCM President and Chief Executive Officer Marie Lemay added, "Queen Elizabeth II served as Canada's head of state for seven decades and for millions of



Australia is mourning the death of Queen Elizabeth II by including the dates of her reign within the legend on coins on which she is depicted.



A black band appears about the rim of Canada $2 coins marking the death of Queen Elizabeth II.

Canadians, she was the only monarch they had ever known. Our special $2 circulation coin offers Canadians a way to remember her."

The 2022 Canada $2 coin is identical to the regular circulation issue on which the Susanna Blunt portrait of the queen appears on the obverse. The Brent Townsend polar bear design appears on the reverse. The coin is composed a nickel-plated steel as are all other Canadian $2 coins, however there is a black outer ring featured on both the obverse and reverse.

According to RCM information, there will be about 5 million mourning coins released into circulation as banks request coin inventory restocking. In addition, the RCM made the coins available by exchange at its offices in Ottawa and Winnipeg.

NEW CURRENCY FOR CENTRAL AFRICAN STATES

On December 15 the Bank of Central African States or Banque des États de l'Afrique Centrale (BEAC) introduced new coins and bank notes simultaneously to all the states of the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa or Communauté Économique et Monétaire de l'Afrique Centrale (CEMAC).

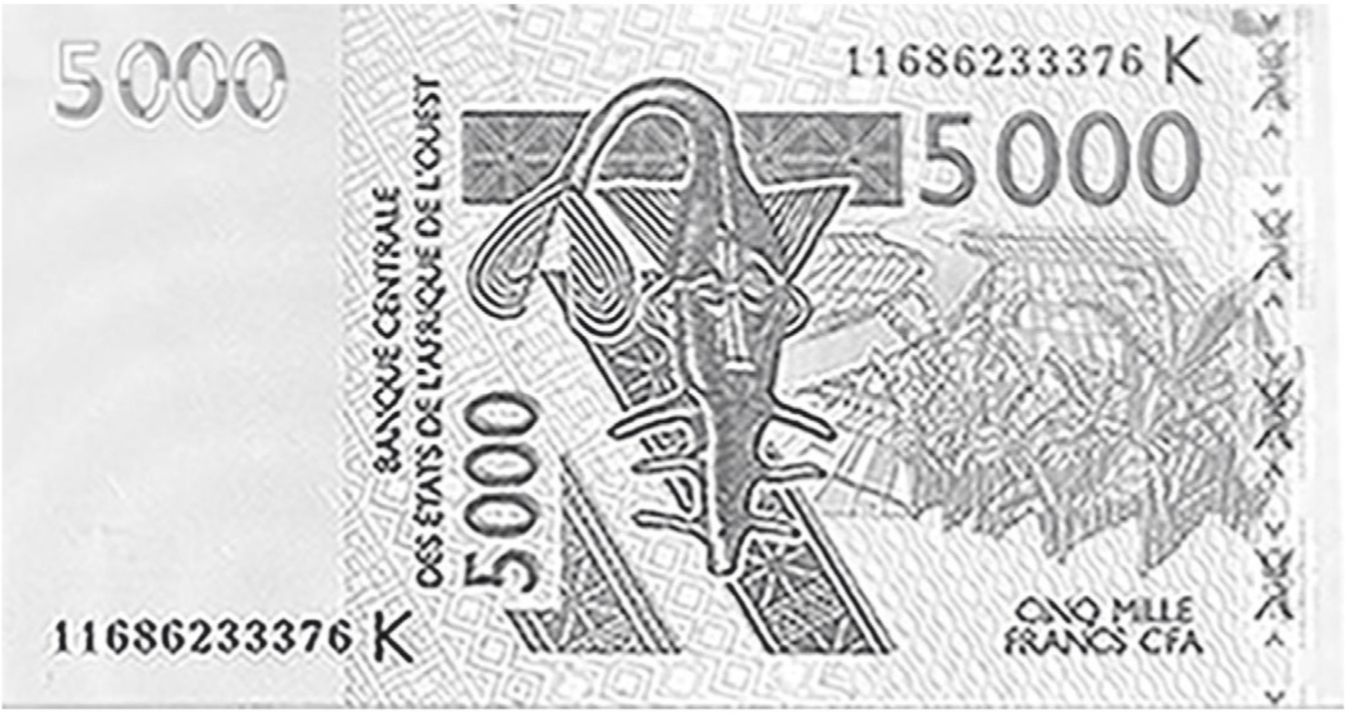
Bank notes were released in denominations of FCFA 500, FCFA 1,000, FCFA 2,000, FCFA 5,000 and FCFA 10,000. A FCFA 250 coin was also to be released. FCFA currency is subdivided into 100 centimes, however no coins of centime denominations have ever been issued by the currency union.

Little information was available on the coin at the time this article was being written. According to BEAC, the new notes will be "more compact, more modern, and more secure. The new notes will also carry all the official languages used in the sub-region."

BEAC Governor Abbas Mahamat Tolli said the new notes will highlight "the official languages of the CEMAC countries, which are French, English, Arabic and Spanish, by declining in the inscription Bank of Central African States and in the face value of the notes."

The BEAC indicated all previously issued 1992 and 2002 bank notes will be gradually withdrawn from circulation in Cameroon, Chad, the Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, and the Republic of Congo through March 1, 2023.

The October 7 Journal du Cameroun reported, "Reports



The front of a CFA 5,000 note released in 2003. (Image courtesy of Central Bank of West African States, bceao.int)

has it that beyond its aesthetic or new aspect, a new range of bank notes responds above all to the problem of quality of its security and its ability to be difficult to counterfeit. It is also a question of facilitating its sorting by machines, because until now it has been carried out in a labor-intensive manner. However, almost all over the world bank notes are being sorted almost entirely by machine, with a view to improving the quality of bank note circulation and improving statistics on the evaluation of the money supply both at the sub-regional level and for each CEMAC country."

The Central African CFA franc, abbreviated as the FCFA is used by the six independent African nations named earlier in this article. CFA stands for Coopération financière en Afrique centrale or Financial Cooperation in Central Africa. The BEAC is located in Yaoundé, Cameroon.

There are several West African states using the West African CFA franc, a currency that is on par to the FCFA currency. Each of these two regional currencies is backed by the French Treasury and is pegged to the European Union euro, but at a rate of one FCFA to 0.0015 euros.

The FCFA was created and pegged to the French franc in 1945. The currencies retained parity when France adopted the euro, but the value of the FCFA to the euro has since changed. In theory the French government or the monetary unions using either of the two regional African currencies could change the value of one or the other. In fact, the French Treasury controls 50 percent of the foreign exchange reserves for the countries involved in these currency unions.

Coins in the denomination of 100 francs were issued for each individual member state beginning in 1971. Between 1976 and 1996 each state also issued 50-franc coins, these coins carrying an identification letter for the country the individual coin represented. The letter A is for Chad, B for Central African Republic, C for Congo, D for Gabon, and E for Cameroon.

A 500-franc denomination was introduced in 1976, these being issued by the individual nations beginning in 1985. Equatorial Guinea jointed the BEAC in 1985, issuing coins in denominations of 5, 25, 50, and 100 francs.

The 100 franc became centralized in 1996, this being followed two years later by the 500-franc denomination. The coinage was redesigned in 2006, with a 2 franc added to the mix. This included a ringed bimetal 100 franc and a 500 franc on which laser markings were added as a security device. All the 2006 coins include the acronym CEMAC. All CEMAC coins have both a mint mark on the left on the reverse. The privy mark of the designer appears at the right. The new FCFA 250 coin is the first to be announced since that time.

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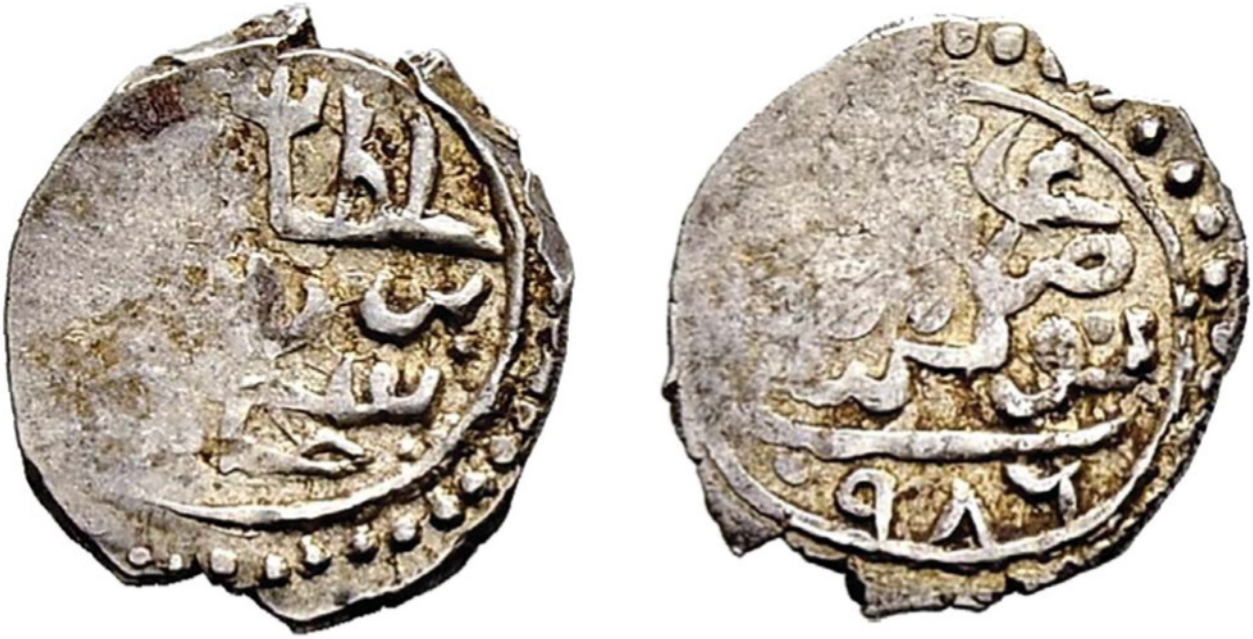


This is a silver akje struck in Tunis dated 986 AH (1569) It was probably struck to pay the Ottoman troops who were engage in a three decade attempt to take the city. Photos from SINCONA Auction 31, Zurich, October 2016, lot 8, www.sincona.com, which is an all Tunisia auction.

I can't write about Tunisia without writing about Ibn Khaldun. He was an educated person, born in 1332 and died in 1406. He was in and out of Hafsid government service, travelled around, met Tamerlane. He wrote several books. The one I read was the Muqaddimah (Introduction). It is about how politics and power interacted in his time.

He came up with a mechanism he saw everywhere and in all circumstances. The power lives in the cities, where, over time, it becomes corrupt and complacent. Out in the countryside people are hungry. Eventually they throw up a leader who conquers the city, moves in, develops expensive habits. Descendants become corrupt and complacent. Out in the countryside people are hungry, etc. It never ends. That's Ibn Khaldun's political philosophy; it made a big impression on me. He flourished about a century before the arrival of the Ottomans, who had a hungry and conquest-seeking Empire.

This being the article describing Tunisia and its coinage during the Ottoman period I'll start with a thumbnail of the Turks, a bit of the basics of Ottoman history and politics, and then describe the coins of Ottoman Tunisia, 1560s to 1881.

The Turks were nomad tribes with a well-developed military metallurgy and the best horses in the world. Politically, they were organized as clans, who would work or fight together depending on circumstances. But they would unite only rarely, sometimes to raid Chinese or Indo-Greek cities, steal stuff, kidnap and enslave people. The Chinese or the Indo-Greeks would eventually send soldiers, the Turks would run away, then the city folk would go home, and the Turks would resume their traditional activities.

Starting in the fourth century or so, Turkish polities started coalescing into larger groups, so they could start to be called tribes rather than clans. Some of the tribes became strong enough to conquer and hold territory and cities. This happened throughout Central Asia from the Caspian Sea north of Iran to Xinjiang in China.

As they developed their culture, they became keen researchers into techniques of war. They would trade, and they would appreciate art, but first and foremost in their cultural outlook was war. They would hire out as mercenaries all over the place. Not infrequently, entire clans would enlist as mercenaries. Often, the contract terms of the time were essentially slavery, not to mention all the Turkish captives sold for soldiers.

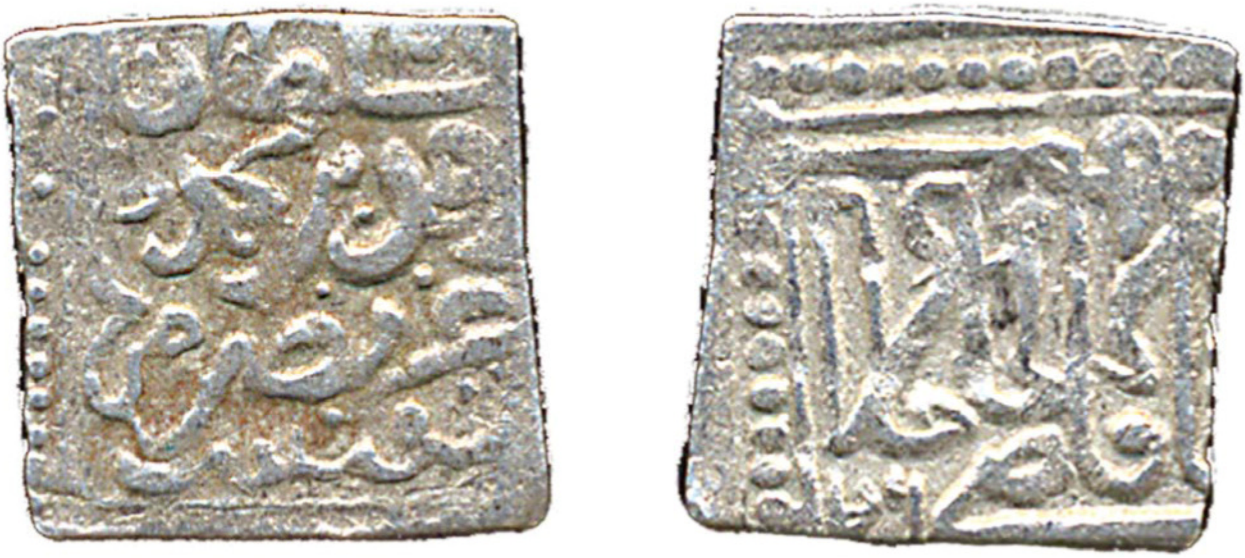
That kind of work relationship was totally normal for the time. You'd sell your children to someone who'd feed them and teach them how to do something. Or you'd take your little troop of bandits to a local lord somewhere and pledge your fealty and your men. The lord would give you somewhere to sleep and some food, you do whatever he tells you to do. In the context of the time, it was a potentially good deal.

And there was this tendency, given the normal Turkish intellectual pursuit of knowledge related to winning conflicts, for Turkish commanders to be put in charge of larger operations.

There came a time, starting in the 11th century, when Turkish commanders oversaw armies on both sides of many battles. Turks started to move into the civil side of administration too. The basic rules of how to manipulate situations were the same.

Then Turks in charge started to become heredity and establish dynasties.

There got to be larger and larger territories run by Turks.



The old Hafsid square dirham type was resurrected by the Ottoman occupiers in the early 17th century. It came to be called "nasri" (victorious) and was fitfully issued in relatively small quantities well into the 18th century. This one was issued during the reign of Ahmed III; the date is 1126 AH (1714 A.D.). (Actual size 12mm)

All well and good, but then, out of Central Asia, came a new, much larger Turkish polity, the Seljuks. They carried all before them from Afghanistan to the Mediterranean. In Jerusalem they messed around with the rules governing Christian pilgrimages, giving the Europeans a reason for a Crusade.

Saladin, a Kurd, headed up the Seljuk resistance. As part of the general situation Saladin eliminated the Shia Fatimids in Egypt, too. The Seljuks became weak by having poor succession dynamics. Then came the Mongols, wrecking stuff everywhere they went. A lot of Seljuk governors came to terms with the Mongols and kept their jobs.

After about a century of Mongol rule their empire dissolved, and local powers reemerged. In Anatolia there were several little local Turkish jurisdictions, called Beyliks. One of them became the Ottomans.

The founder, Osman, conquered neighboring Byzantine cities. Conquests were continued by his descendants for the next several centuries, building, by the 16th century, an Empire of all the eastern Mediterranean from Bulgaria to Egypt, all modern Turkey and the Levant to the Iranian border, and the African coast to the Moroccan border.

Which takes us back to Tunisia.

In the Islamic zone they had silver dirhams and gold dinars. The dirham started out as a weight of 2 and some grams, and then commenced to vary through centuries, depending on the finances of the issuer. People would know about the "canonical" dirham, but they would use whatever the issuing authority called "dirham," regardless of its weight or fineness.

The dinar was essentially the same as the Byzantine solidus, or the Venetian ducat, then began to vary through centuries in various places. Usually, they tried to keep the weight and fineness high. But they didn't always succeed. In Mongol times people in Anatolia got used to dirhams that had become very small.

In Africa they didn't have a Mongol problem, and their dirhams were those little square things. They were small, but not as small as what the early Ottomans were using.

In the European zone they were using more billon, and making nickel sized fine silver coins, groats and grossos. Most of the gold coins they used were Venetian ducats, more or less the same as a solidus, or a good dinar.

At some point the tiny dirhams of the Anatolian Beyliks started being called "akje." One could imagine the Beylik merchant arrived in Aleppo with his bag of Beylik dirhams and everybody laughs: "I'll take four of your stupid dirhams for one of mine." He goes home, tells the story, people ask "So if they're not dirhams, what are they?" Someone says "akje," which means "coin."

The silver akje became the foundational coin of the Ottoman fiscal system. They had copper and gold, but most of the circulation was akjes.

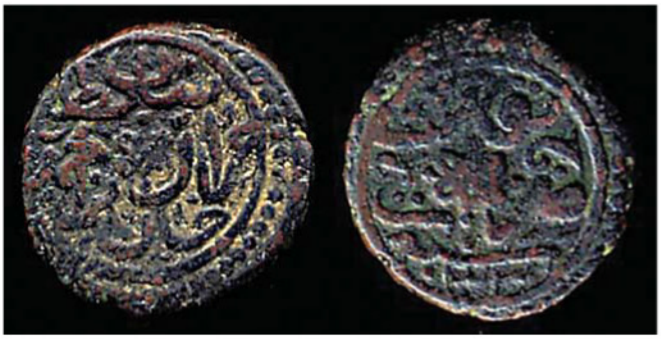
The Ottomans started moving into Africa at the start of the 16th century. They defeated the (Turkish) Mamluks in 1517 and took all of Egypt, the Levant, and northern Arabia. Then they took Algiers by sea assault in 1534. Algiers was the big city of the region and had been governed by a group of corsairs.

In the 16th century Spaniards were occupying several coastal cities in North Africa. Spain and the Ottomans were nose to nose about who got to run the Western Mediterranean Sea. The Ottomans already had all the Eastern part.

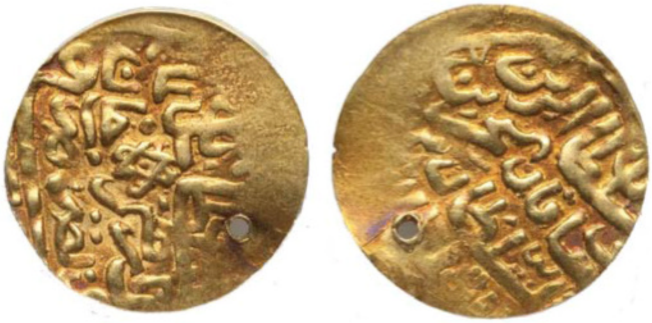
From Algiers they went for Tunis, which took a few decades because the Habsburgs of Europe (combined Spanish and Holy Roman Empire at the time) were getting involved, building forts on the Algerian coast. But the Ottomans got Tunis under their thumb in 1574.

Tunis started out being governed from Algiers, but the local powers grew stronger and broke away. The governors of Algiers would continue to advance their claims to Tunis, occasionally with some military action, but nothing came of that.

Ottoman governance in North Africa was ethnically based. You wouldn't have any serious power unless you were



The Ottoman venture into coins of different denominations came to Tunis in the mid-17th century. This is a copper burbe of Murad IV dated 1033 AH (1624 A.D.). I've only seen one in 30 years. (Actual diameter 17mm)



Throughout the Mediterranean, with the sometimes exception of the far west, the Venetian ducat was the standard gold coin. Ottoman gold generally standardized to Venice. This gold coin, called sultani by the Ottomans, sequins by Europeans, was struck for Sultan Suleyman II, 1687-91. Like many early Ottoman gold coins, it was made into jewelry. (Image courtesy of Heritage Auctions)

Turkish. After that, everything depended on who you knew. But, then again, there was the constant tendency of governors to become hereditary by some scheme or other, and that happened, after some hiccups of attempt at control from the Porte in Constantinople. The Tunisian line of (Turkish) Beys became a dynasty.

Early Ottoman Coins in Tunisia

When the Ottomans got Tunis they found a circulation consisting of Hafsid square silver dirhams, and the usual mix of ducat sized gold. They brought their akjes with them because that's what they used.

They set up a mint, which could easily have been just a die maker, an assistant or two, and a wagon of supplies, plus of course the military detail guarding it.

Stephen Album, in his Checklist of Islamic Coins, writes that the provincial coinage of the early Ottoman period has not been adequately studied. I looked at two references. One was Risimli Turk Paralari, by Nuri Pere, an old book not intended to be a corpus. The other is the Standard Catalog of World Coins.

There were twenty-five Ottoman Sultans from the 1530s, when they started messing around in Tunisia, to the establishment of the French Protectorate in 1881. All but three of them struck coins in Tunis.

The first coins of Ottoman Tunis that I could find were a silver akje and a gold coin that they called altin (gold) but was basically a dinar or a ducat. They were dated 974 AH (1566 A.D.), in the reign of Selim II, some years before the definitive occupation of 1574.

The altin was called "zecchino" (mint-made) by the Venetians, who recognized it as the same as their ducat. Zecchino was anglicized as "sequin" in later years.

The akjes were probably for paying troops. The gold would have been an expression of the mint right, something any conqueror would have been likely to do.

An altin was issued in Tunis dated 982 AH (1574 A.D.), the year of the definitive conquest, in the name of Sultan Murad III. There was also an akje.

For Muhammad III there was an altin and an akje, dated 1003 AH (1595 A.D.).

So far, we seem to be looking at coins made by Turks for Turkish purposes. They seem to be rare.

In the next reign, of Ahmad I, 1603-17, there is a gold coin that began to be called sultani rather than altin but was basically the same coin with an updated design. There were gold halves and quarters too. Tunis was doing international business and therefore needed its own gold coins to show it was a player. They're all rare, though, in comparison with Egyptian or Constantinople output.

Ahmad also resurrected the type of the Hafsid square silver dirham. That coin came to be called "nasri" a few decades later, nicknamed "dort kose" (four corners). They were made over several decades, probably not in large quantities. The date for the Ahmad I coins is usually 1012 AH (1603 A.D.).

The next Sultan, Mustafa I, 1617-18 and 1622-23, had the first Tunisian copper coin struck in his name. He only lasted a few years. The copper issue was similar in size of a Spanish 4 maravedis coin, called a burbe. Probably it was an attempt to get the enemy coins out of the trade zone.

That was a problem for the Ottomans. They had some gold but there was a silver deficit, and copper was the usual kind of Islamic stuff, put out by local officials because the central government couldn't be bothered. So, there were European silver and gold coins circulating all through the Empire. It was politically embarrassing and pointed to a weak spot in the finances.

They started making larger silver coins and fractional gold coins in the mid-17th century, starting in Constantinople, and spreading to the provinces. In silver, first up were 5 and 10 akje pieces (beshliks and onliks), made in the old style. An onlik was basically a light dime.

Then, in the reign of Suleyman II, 1687-91, large silver coins and fractions were made to compete with the Spanish and German and Polish coins in the markets. A fractional system came into play: 3 akjes made a para, 30 paras was a zolota, 40 paras was a kurush (kurus, girsh, etc., or piastre, as the Venetians called it).

Typical of the Ottoman silver series was debasement. Even the crown sized kurush was a little small and a little base compared with the Polish coin it was aimed at, and from the very beginning. The idea was to force their use in the Ottoman zone, while keeping them there because no one else wanted them, being base and all. It pretty much worked.

Generally speaking, Tunis could be considered a minor Ottoman mint. Algiers was a much bigger city. And both were dwarfed in all ways by Egypt.

We'll pick up the story in the 18th century next time.

RICHARD GIEDROYC

Why was the reeded edge invented?

■ *Is an ancient coin that has been identified as having been smoothed or retooled saleable?*

Smoothing and retooling are well known ways so-called coin doctors "improve" the appearance of ancient coins. A coin dealer once joked to me, "better coins through chemistry." Damaged, clipped, retooled, and smoothed coins are saleable, but such coins typically command a lower price than will a coin that has not been "doctored."

■ *Which type of ancient coin alteration is more likely to sell, a smoothed or a retooled piece?*

When a coin surface has been smoothed the coin's rough, encrusted, or pitted areas are smoothed over using existing metal. When a coin is re-tooled or epoxy is added to smooth out the surface, the coin is improved in much the same way as a tooth is filled when decay has been removed. According to Professional Coin Grading Service, "Considering the very low estimate assigned to the epoxied coin as compared to coins identified as retooled or smoothed, it would appear coins to which epoxy has been applied are viewed as less desirable by collectors."

■ *Why was the reeded edge invented?*

If you examine pre-reeded colonial period silver coins you may notice the edge has been clipped or shaved. These precious metal shavings were gathered until the person guilty of that act had sufficient to have further coins struck. In the meantime, the clipped or shaved coin continued to circulate, likely at full face value.

■ *When was the reeded edge invented?*

'Serrati numi' or serrated edge bronze coins were issued during the Seleucid Kingdom (312 B.C.-63 B.C.), likely for decorative purposes. Serrated or crudely reeded edge Roman Republic silver denarii were produced to deter counterfeiters. The serrated edge allowed a person to view deeper into the planchet to ensure the coin wasn't a silver-plated fake.

■ *Are there counterfeiters who signed their 'work?'*

There are numerous counterfeiters whose product was sufficiently convincing and gained sufficient notoriety that today their fakes are collected. There may be more, but I am aware of two of these individuals who actually signed their fakes. We don't know the actual name of the person who hid the Greek letter omega in his 1907 High Relief Saint Gaudens $20 double eagles, but whomever it is was active during the 1970s. The name Slavei appears on some counterfeit ancient coins actually produced during the 1980s and beyond. It appears several members of this family were involved in 'the trade.'

■ *Are there any catalogs that list counterfeit coins of individuals whose fakes are collectible?*

There are several "prominent" counterfeiters whose products are sufficiently collected that these fake coins are cataloged. Among these are Paduan fakes and those of Carl Wilhelm Becker. Books cataloging well known and well collected fakes include "Becker the Counterfeiter" by Sir George F. Hill, "Imitations and Inventions of Roman Coins" by Zander H. Klawans, and "Christopdoulos the Counterfeiter" by J. Svornjonos.

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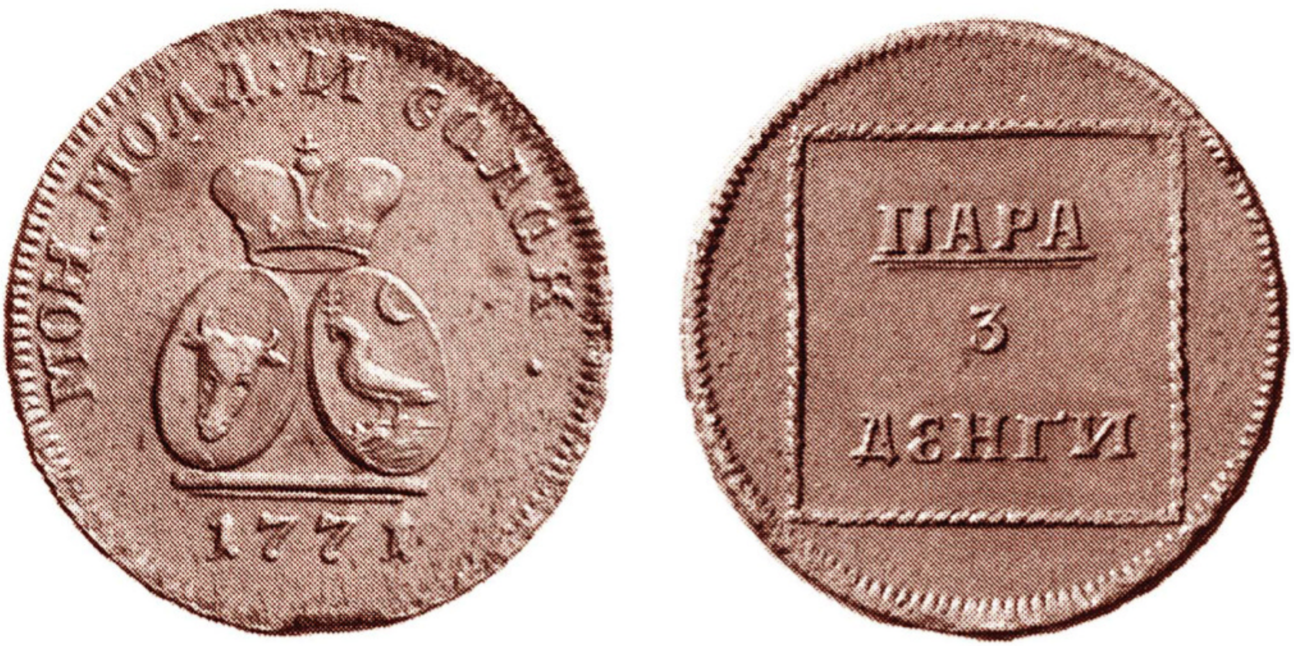
The Coinage of Russia, Moldavia & Wallachia

1771-1774

By R.W. Julian



1771 1 para 3 dengi.

With the breakup of the Soviet Union during 1991 an old political entity once more came into the news. From 1769 to 1774 Russian and Turkish armies fought over land then known as Moldavia and Wallachia. Today part of this region is called Moldova and straddles the Dniester river just north of Romania. As this is written there is fierce fighting to the west of this area where the Russian army under President Vladimir Putin has invaded Ukraine.

Because of the ancient political and religious rivalry between Russia and Turkey, Russian Empress Catherine II ordered her armies to invade the region. Under Count (later Field Marshal) Peter Rumiantsev, the Russian army crossed the frontier in April 1769 and advanced rapidly against the ill-equipped Turkish troops. In September the Moldavian capital at Jassy fell with Bucharest (capital of Wallachia) soon after.

The Field Marshal was ordered by his superiors to live off the land and not to expect all that much in the way of supplies from home. The means by which to pay the soldiers soon became a problem as did payment for supplies obtained locally. The conquered areas were partly Christian and Rumiantsev was under a distinct moral obligation not to cheat the local inhabitants, at least not too badly, for the needed supplies.

During 1770 Rumiantsev found himself with the better part of a thousand Turkish cannons, which were of no real use to him, as his forces were well equipped in that respect. He hit upon the idea, used some years before in Russia, of using cannons as raw material for coinage. He wrote his superiors suggesting that he be allowed to issue copper coins for local use.

The suggestion went all the way to St. Petersburg and eventually found its way to the Empress in the latter part of 1770 for a final decision. After consultation with monetary experts in the Treasury and the St. Petersburg Mint, she gave the necessary permission. It was clearly understood that the coins were to remain in Moldavia and Wallachia and not be brought back to Russia.

Rumiantsev searched for a suitable mintmaster and finally settled on Baron Peter Gartenberg as the best man for the job. Typical of the times, Gartenberg was one of those Europeans that knew no true national allegiance and served whatever master paid the best. He had been born Peter Nygaard in Denmark but had changed his name to Neugarten, a translation from Danish to German, when he went to Saxony to serve in the local mint.

By 1758 Gartenberg had prospered to the point that he became Baron Peter von Gartenberg, by command of King August III. The latter was also ruler of Poland and appointed Baron Gartenberg-Sadogurski, as he became known, director of the Cracow Mint in 1765. A series of riots, connected with foreign meddling in internal Polish politics, forced the closure of this institution in 1768, but the Baron was soon transferred to Warsaw, where he served as director of that mint until 1772. His initials (G or VG) appear on Polish coins of this period.

It is not quite clear just where Gartenberg resided in 1771 but his Polish residence may have been something of a sinecure

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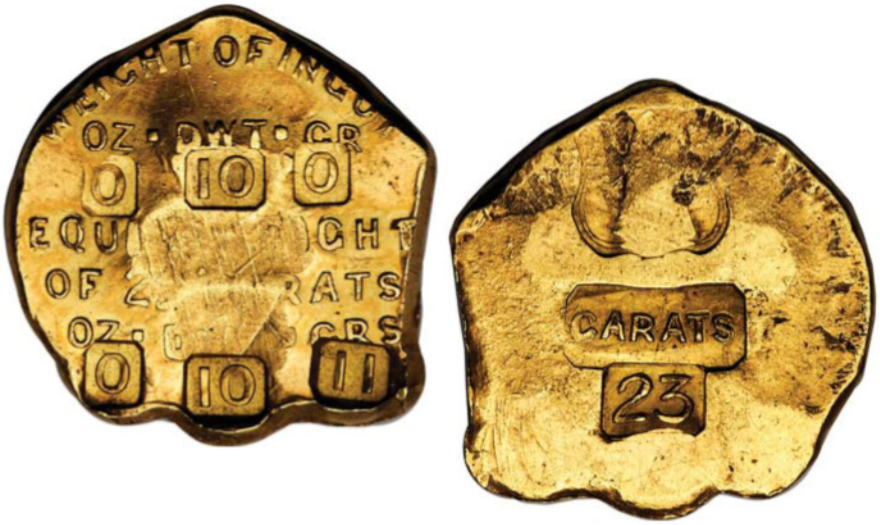

Two Australian rarities topped the NYINC World & Ancient Coins Platinum Session and Signature Auction held by Heritage Auctions on Jan. 9, 2023.

Topping this sale was an Australia Undated Adelaide Assay Gold Ingot graded NGC MS 63 (lot 32123) that realized $540,000, far outpacing its pre-auction estimate of $200,000 to $300,000. During the Australian Gold Rush, South Australia's capital, Adelaide, boasted a Government Assay Office. This particular ingot is one of Australia's most fascinating numismatic pieces, and it once resided in the elite collections of King Farouk and Virgil Brand.

Also finishing strong was an Australia 1853 Sovereign graded NGC PF 63 Ultra Cameo (lot 32138) that realized $312,000. This coin was struck to celebrate the United Kingdom establishing its first mint outside of Great Britain in Sydney. This coin is believed to be the only example in private hands, with three others residing in museums.

From elsewhere in the world, an extremely rare Great Britain 1933 Penny graded NGC MS 63 BN and pedigreed as the St. Mary's example (lot 32230) realized $240,000 in the auction. A global economic downturn led the Royal Mint to suspend production of new pennies for circulation in 1933. But the mint did strike at least seven coins because it was a tradition to bury coins under the foundation stone of newly constructed public buildings of prominence. Of those seven examples, two are now in museums, one remains in the ground, and one was stolen, leaving a mere three examples available to the collecting community.

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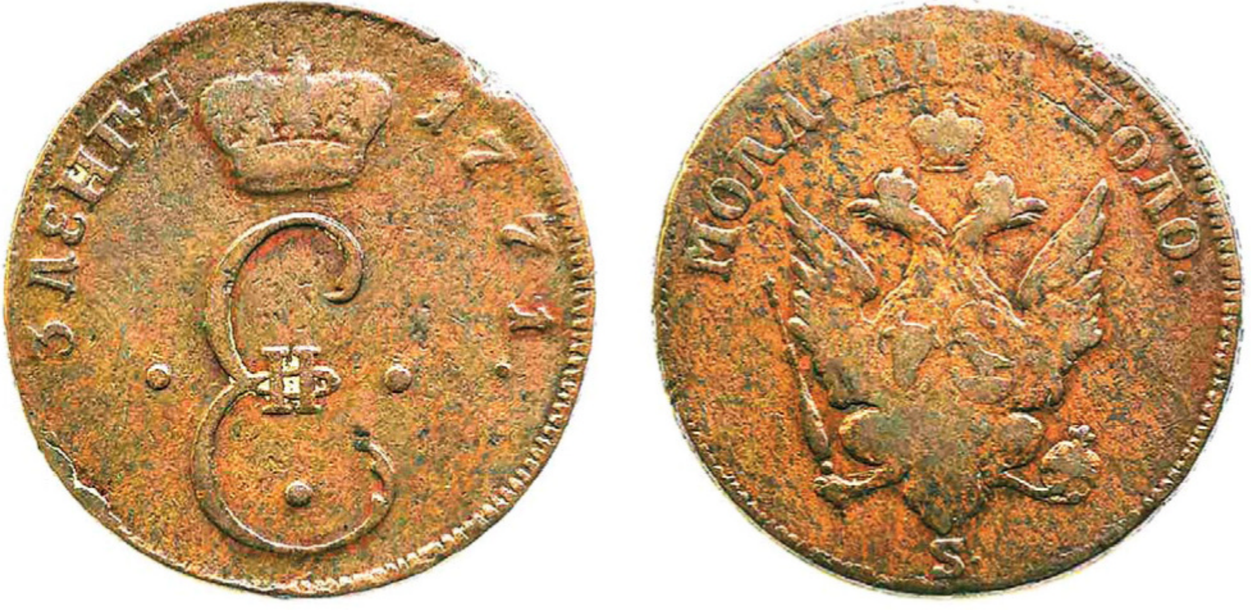


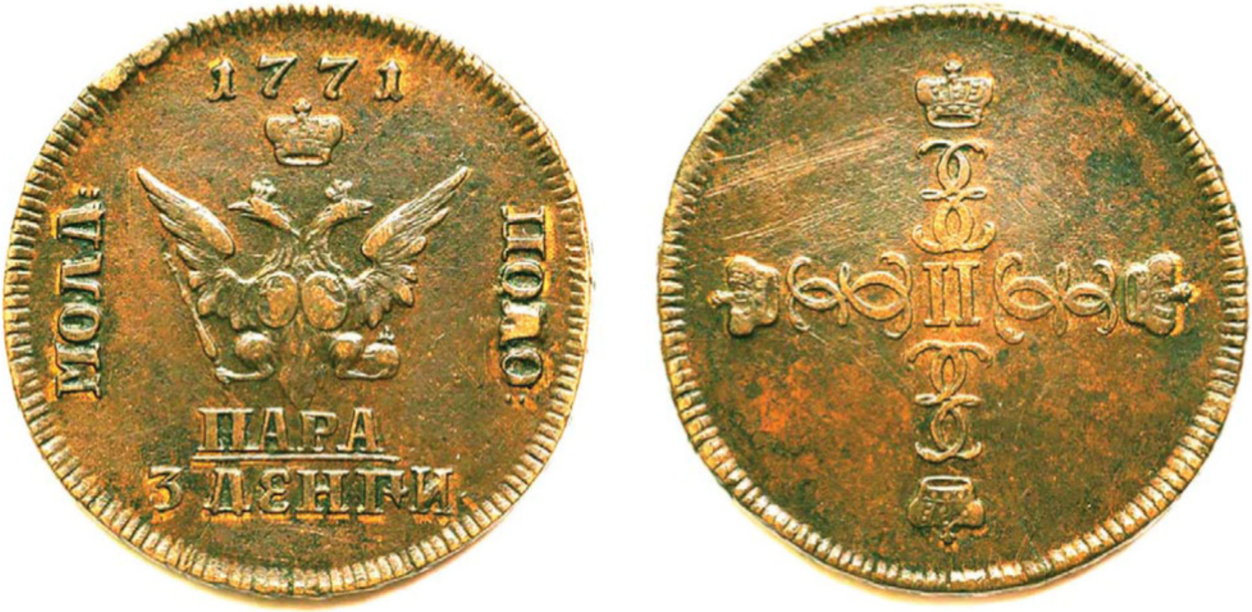
1771 3 dengi (1 1/2 kopecks).

by 1772 when he was replaced. Whatever his precise status in Poland, he signed a contract with Rumiantsev in February 1771 to establish a mint and produce coins after designs furnished by the Russian treasury. (At the same time he held several lucrative posts under the Polish government, including an agency for collecting certain kinds of taxes.)

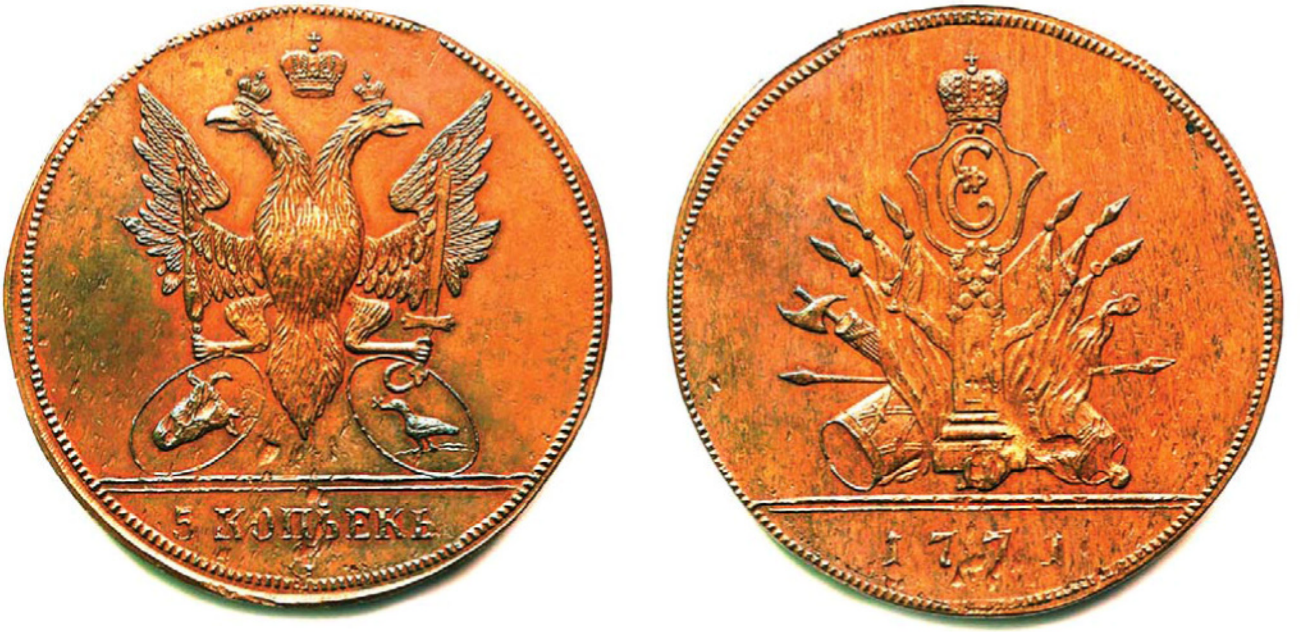
Gartenberg was originally required to set up the mint at Jassy, though this was later changed to his personal estate at Sadogura, somewhat further away from the front lines and possible incursions by Turkish troops. The Russians agreed to provide the necessary metal, in the form of cannons captured from the Turks. The mintmaster, on his part, was required to pay 7.5 percent of the coinage to local authorities while there was to be an additional payment of 60,000 silver rubles to the Russian government for the privilege of coining.

There was a certain amount of difficulty connected with choosing the denominations to be struck. At first the authorities wanted a five-kopeck coin (piatak), quarter kopeck (polushka), and one and one-half kopecks (one para in Turkish currency). The piatak and polushka were soon abandoned, replaced by the three kopecks (two paras). Patterns, including the piatak, were struck in St. Petersburg as a guide to local engravers working under Gartenberg's direction.

Little is known of the instructions to the St. Petersburg engravers who cut the pattern dies, but the finished products clearly reflected the Russian influence with the prominent inclusion of the double-headed eagle. Most of the pattern reverses also carried the initial of Catherine II (E in the Cyrillic alphabet) but it is likely that the Empress, after due consideration, decided that the patterns were still too close to the regular Russian copper coinage.



1771 pattern 1 para 3 dengi.



1771 pattern 5 kopecks.

Field Marshal Rumiantsev was told that the coins should not bear any direct reference to the Russian Empire. The coins issued for public circulation all had the arms of Moldavia and Wallachia (a cow's head and rooster, respectively) although some of the patterns did carry a double-headed eagle.

The issued pieces merely indicated that they were coins of Moldavia and Wallachia; this was on the obverse along with the coat of arms, while the reverse had a simple square enclosing the denomination. The denominations read "Para 3 Dengi [1 1/2 kopecks]" or "2 Paras 3 Kopecks." Some of the patterns had the denomination only in kopecks and all legends were in Cyrillic.

By decree the new coins were tariffed at 21 rubles 60 kopecks per pood (16.38 kilograms) of cannon metal as compared to the regular Russian weight standard of 16 rubles. The distinctly lower weights of the new coins were also meant to ensure that they stayed out of Russian marketplaces. The Moldavian-Wallachian coins are actually bronze (copper and tin) and not copper as was the case in Russia. According to one source the average tin content of the new coinage was about 8 percent.

Gartenberg, despite his experience in minting, did not directly superintend the Moldavian-Wallachian coinage, but entrusted this work to a subordinate named Stockmann. For this reason there is some controversy over the letter "S" appearing on the coins. Most scholars think that it stands for Gartenberg's estate at Sadogura, where the coins were struck but others contend that it is the initial of Stockmann. Proponents of the latter view note that Gartenberg used "G" or "VG" on his Polish coins. In all likelihood, both schools of thought are correct as the initial could thus refer to either or both.

It took some time to put the new mint into operation and actual coinage appears to have begun towards the end of 1771. Only the 1 1/2 kopecks (para) was coined for circulation that year and it is relatively rare, indicating a small coinage; it may well be, of course, that the 1771 dies were used in early 1772.

By early in 1772 operations were well underway and large numbers of the two copper denominations were coined under Stockmann's direction. Only 1772 is relatively common for both denominations as the smaller coin was not struck for circulation after 1772. So many pieces were coined of both values that there was an inflation of sorts, with the larger coins being used more and more by the public.

There were soon complaints from the local citizens about the flood of copper coins coming from the Sadogura Mint. Rumiantsev answered these complaints by awarding yet another contract for minting such coins, to a Major General Melissino; the latter promptly sublet his contract to Gartenberg, who now had both minting contracts.

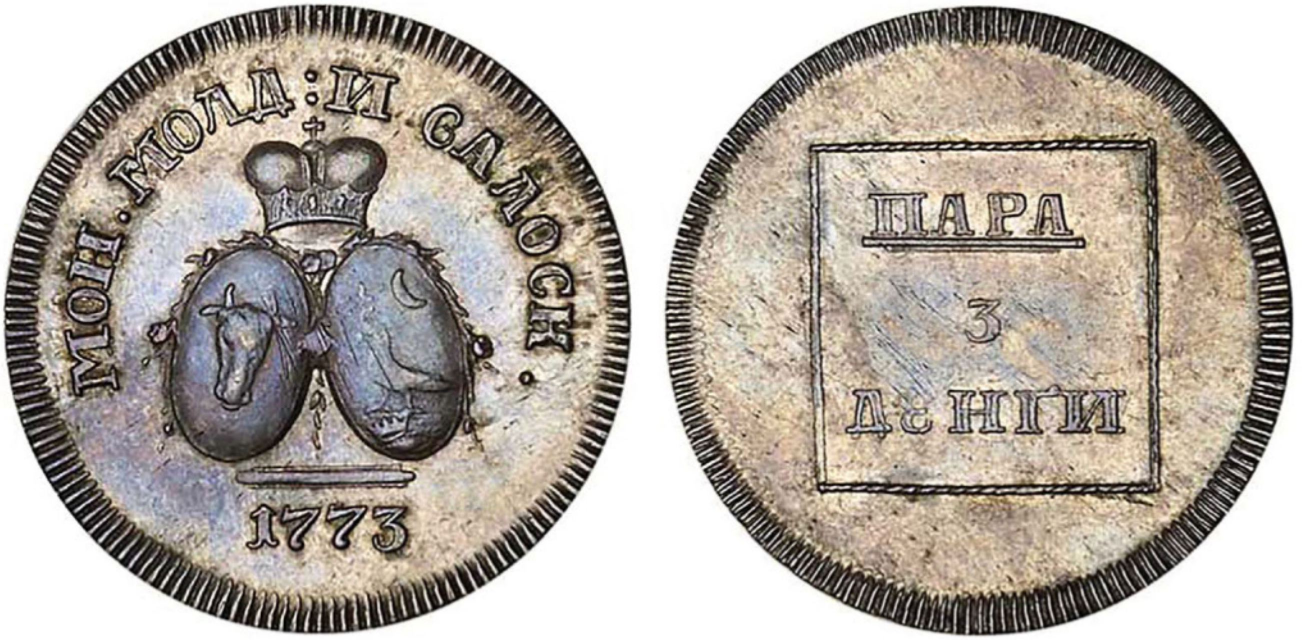
From August 1771 to May 1773 there were enough cannons delivered to the Sadogura Mint that Gartenberg was able to coin nearly 700,000 rubles worth of coins. Rumiantsev used the copper coins to buy gold and silver specie for his expenses (he did not want the depreciated bronze coins on hand) and managed to drain the area of hard currency.

Gartenberg was supposed to make payments to local authorities who were then obliged to pay the Russian forces an equivalent amount in gold or silver. However, the mintmaster took his time about turning coins over to the local officials and instead managed to put the coinage into the local economy himself, thus collecting gold and silver for his coffers.

There was supposed to be an army controller to oversee Gartenberg's fiscal operations but somehow this official was never appointed, perhaps because of well-placed bribes in the proper quarters, an old Russian tradition. This lack of control enabled Gartenberg to do pretty much as he pleased for several months. There was an officer in charge of the finances for the Moldavia-Wallachia principality (Major-General Rimsky-Korsakov) but the mintmaster and Rimsky-Korsakov got along so well that the Russians had no effective control over the minting operations.

Count Rumiantsev finally caught on to what was happening and demanded that Gartenberg not only follow the terms of the contract, but also make a detailed accounting of his operations. It was to take months of pressure to get this done. In one instance, Gartenberg (who seems to have spoken fluent Russian) claimed that he had no one at his mint capable of making a report in the Russian language!

In the spring of 1774, after some months of indecisive fighting, Rumiantsev finally unleashed his troops for an all-out attack on the Turkish forces. Turkey then sued for an end to hostilities and



1773 1 para 3 dengi. (3 dengi=1 1/2 kopecks.)

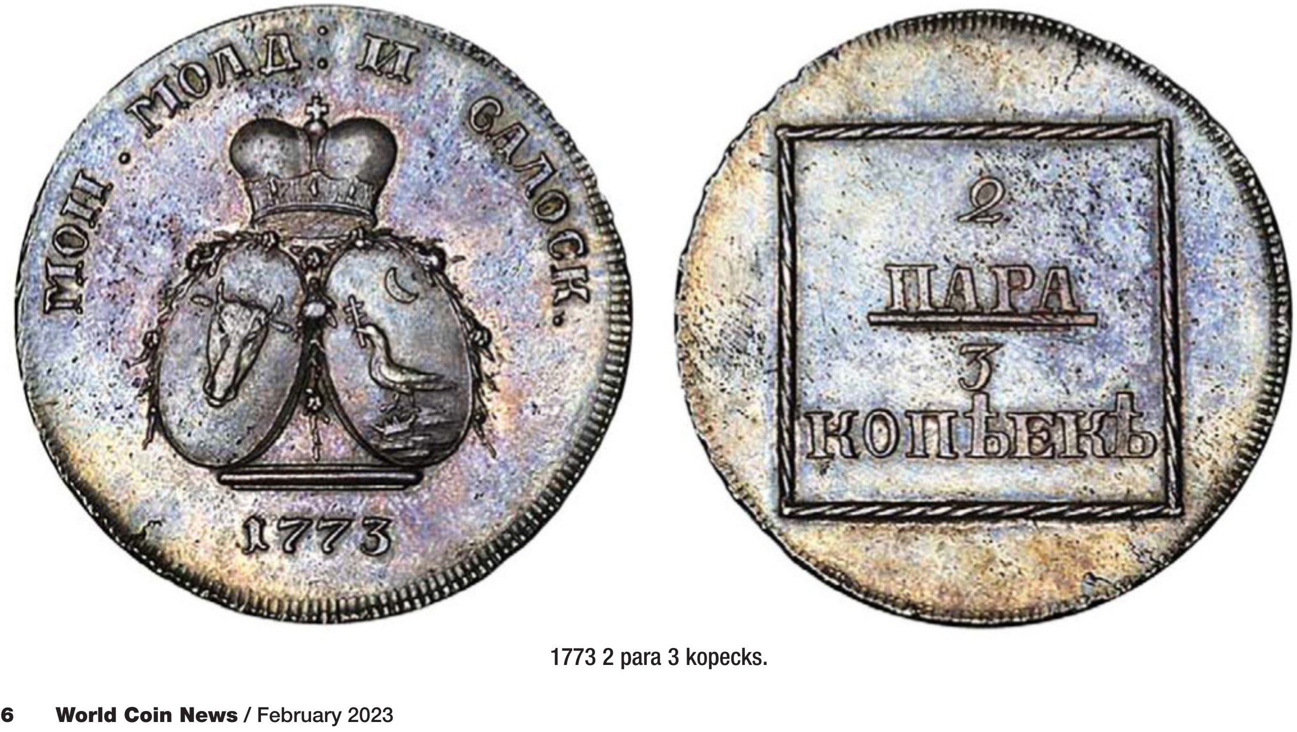
the treaty of peace was signed in July 1774. Moldavia-Wallachia was to become autonomous although nominally under Turkish rule; it was well understood by all parties concerned that Russia was to have a strong hand in affairs of the new principality.

By the beginning of the new year (1774) the Gartenberg coinage was thoroughly discredited in the marketplaces of the principality. Few merchants would accept it and those that did demanded a steep discount from the nominal values. Most of the gold and silver had been stripped from the region, which was now little better than a poverty-stricken backwater. Less than half the families remained in the area in 1774 that had lived there in 1769. More than 200,000 people had fled.

In the latter part of 1774 Rumiantsev was still demanding a complete accounting from Gartenberg and managed, at last, to obtain one at the beginning of December, just as the Russian army was beginning to pull out. The papers from Gartenberg failed to account for more than 20,000 rubles' worth of supplies and the Russians continued to ask him for this money well into 1775. Then or now, no one except Gartenberg knew if the accounts were even close to being correct. Most authorities think that he did quite well financially on the contracts.

It is uncertain just when the coinage ended, but as coins of 1774 are not common, the year is fairly certain. We may assume that coinage stopped in the late winter of 1773–1774.

Many of the Moldavian coins, despite a ban on their being imported into Russia, found their way to Ukraine, where they served as small change in the late 1770s and early 1780s. Russian authorities, however, relentlessly seized the coinage whenever it could be found and sent it to regional Treasury depositories for eventual disposition.



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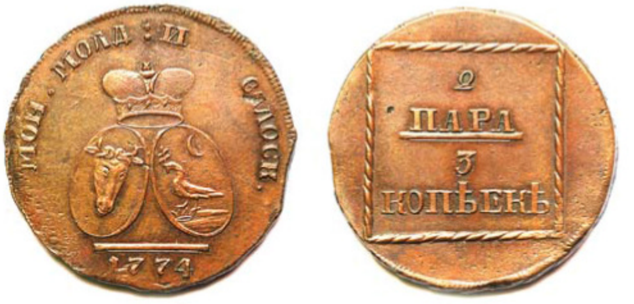

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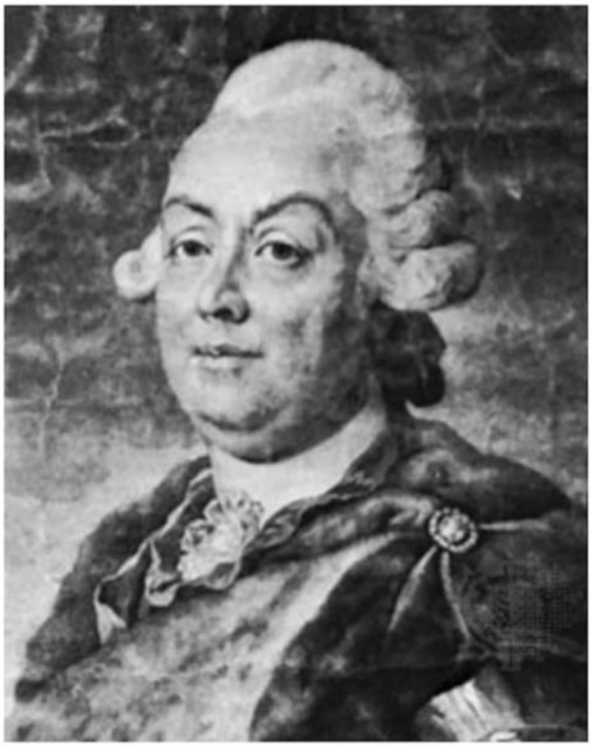
In the late 1780s, as part of a general recoinage of outdated coinage, such as that of Moldavia-Wallachia, Catherine II ordered that the mints restrike this mass of odd pieces with regular dies if the weight was reasonably close to the Russian standard. The 1 1/2 kopeck pieces were made into kopecks while the larger coins were restruck with 2-kopeck dies. They were slightly overweight (though not as much as might be expected as Gartenberg's coins generally ran light) but this created no problems for the mints. Roughly 100,000 Moldavian coins were overstruck during 1788 and 1789, primarily at Moscow.

Novodels (restrikes) were made at the Ekaterinburg Mint as early as 1856, but only a few sets of such coins were struck officially; local collectors seem to have obtained quite a few such pieces without too much trouble, however. Additional restrikes were made in the late 1870s although it is not clear if this activity extended until the practice was abolished by order of Czar Alexander III in 1890.

Many of the Moldavian-Wallachian pieces, especially the patterns, are quite rare and beyond the means of the average collector. The circulation issues can be obtained with reasonable patience. Most of the Moldavian-Wallachian coins seen today by collectors are usually well-worn because they did circulate despite their unpopularity.



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LOT 138
CHINA-ANHWEI 1898 One Dollar Silver, NGC MS64, Hsi/NC Collection
Starting: US $60,000
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LOT 134
CHINA-EMPIRE 1871 Qing Dynasty Tung Chih 5 Taels Gold from 1971 Kann Collection Auction, NGC MS63
Starting: US $50,000
Realized: US $126,000

LOT 135
CHINA-EMPIRE 1863 Qing Dynasty Tung Chih 5 Taels Gold from 1971 Kann Collection Auction, NGC MS63
Starting: US $10,000
Realized: US $97,200

LOT 140
CHINA-ANHWEI ND (1902-1906) 10 Cash Copper, with square hole in center, not in Woodward, NGC MS63 BN, NC Collection, top ten Chinese copper coins
Starting: US $40,000
Realized: US $67,200

LOT 139
CHINA-KIRIN 1908 One Dollar Silver, L&M576, Manchu Legend, NGC AU DETAILS, Chopmarked Coin, NC Collection
Starting: US $50,000
Realized: US $60,000

LOT 158
CHINA-REPUBLIC 1916 Yuan Shi Kai Hung Hsien One Dollar Silver, NGC MS63
Starting: US $30,000
Realized: US $43,200

LOT 169
CHINA-REPUBLIC 1936 Chiang Kai-shek Spade Half Dollar Silver Pattern CU-NI, J.C.Lee Collection
Starting: US $3,000
Realized: US $12,000

LOT 106
CHINA-HUPEH One Dollar Note, PMG CHOICE EF45, Coole Collection, FInest Known
Starting: US $20,000
Realized: US $67,200

LOT 101
CHINA-TIBET 50 Tam Note, PMG CHOICE EF45, Nicholas Rhodes Collection, Plate Note The Paper Currency of Tibet, Finest Known
Starting: US $6,000
Realized: US $9,120

LOT 82
CHINA 1914 Bank Of Communications-Shanghai 50 Yuan, PMG Gem UNC65 EPQ, Exceptional Paper Quality, H.F.Bowker East Asia Collection
Starting: US $600
Realized: US $9,000

LOT 115
CHINA 1949 People's Republic-People's Bank of China 500 Yuan, PMG UNC62 EPQ, Exceptional Paper Quality, H.F.Bowker East Asia Collectionn
Starting: US $1,000
Realized: US $8,400

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Ancient Jewish Coins Featured in Robinson Auction

Extremely rare Herod Philip, 4 B.C.-34 A.D.

Dealer Frank S. Robinson will conduct his 120th mail and internet auction of Ancient and Early Coins with a closing date of February 7. The sale includes 585 lots, low minimum bids, and bids to be reduced as competition permits. Robinson notes that reductions have averaged 15-20 percent in his recent sales. There is no buyer fee.

Featured in this sale is a further segment of a major collection of Judaean and Judaic related material, including some rare and important items. Highlights include an extremely rare small bronze of Herod Philip; a First Revolt Year Two Half Shekel in VF; and a Choice VF+ Judea Capta denarius of Vespasian.

Greek coins include several very Choice classic Athenian "owl" tetradrachms; from Baktria a choice EF/AEF helmeted bust Menander Tetradrachm; a rare Elymais silver Tetradrachm of Kamnaskires V in Choice EF; a Parthian Tetradrachm, Sellwood 30.2, quite rare; and a Choice virtually mint state Shekel of Tyre.

Among Roman coins there is a nice Aes Grave Quadrans; VF Julius Caesar Denarius; a Choice EF/VF+ Agrippa As; a Nero Claudius Drusus Sestertius in AEF; a decent large Egyptian bronze of Antinous; and an EF Constantius I Argenteus.

This sale will also feature early Chinese coins, many in group lots; Byzantine and other early coinages, other group lots, literature, and a section of items offered at fixed prices.

Robinson holds about three auctions annually and tries to offer a broad range of material for advanced collectors as well as bargain hunters. Catalogs are free; contact Robinson at Box 8600A, Albany, NY 12208; phone/fax 518-482-2639; e-mail frank@fsrcoin.com. The full catalog is at his website: fsrcoin.com

The Dr. Eberhard Werther Collection Up for Auction

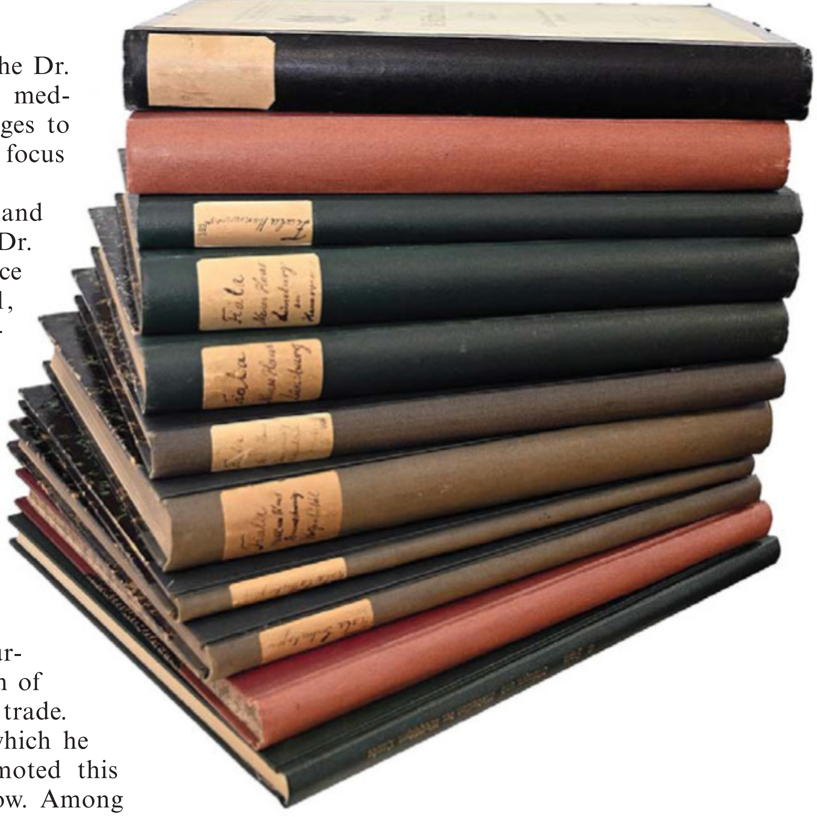
On Feb. 7, 2023, Künker will auction off the Dr. Eberhard Werther Collection with coins and medals of the German states from the Middle Ages to the 19th century as well as world coins. The focus is on Brunswick.

There are probably only a few collectors and coin dealers left who are still familiar with Dr. Eberhard Werther (1913-1985). In his preface to the catalog of eLive Premium Auction 381, Fritz Rudolf Künker describes him as a somewhat obstinate and secluded coin dealer, who ran his coin shop in Brünninghausen near Dortmund. Although Werther was spared from actively taking part in World War II, he suffered irreversible damage to his health as a war prisoner in the Soviet Union. In fact, Eberhard Werther had wanted to become an English teacher and wrote his doctoral thesis on "the idea of representation in the context of English parliamentarianism." However, the unexpected purchase of an extensive and important collection of Pomeranian coins paved his way into the coin trade. By means of hectographed fixed-price lists, which he called "Speigelberger Münzverkehr," he promoted this collection and many others that were to follow. Among his colleagues, Dr. Eberhard Werther was known for not liking to sell his coins to dealers. He always waited to see whether there was a private collector who wanted to buy the piece instead.

Almost 40 years after his death, his sons now decided to let their father's collection re-enter the numismatic circle. It's a typical collection as they were assembled in in the 1960s and 1970s: rarity and historical importance were of more importance to the collector than a coin's quality. Although there are certainly specimens of attractive quality among the pieces, most are "very fine" and "very fine +", enabling committed collectors to purchase rare items at reasonable prices.

In terms of content, the collection ranges from a small selection of world coins (36 pieces) to some Habsburg specimens (10 coins) and coins and medals from the German states (273 pieces). The time frame ranges from the high Middle Ages to the early 20th century. The auction focuses on Brunswick, a chapter with about 140 lots, representing almost half of the entire sale.

Two very particular lots should be highlighted here: The auction starts with an almost complete set of the original prints of E. Fiala's work on coins and medals of the Welf lands, written by the author on behalf of the then head of the House of Hanover, Ernest Augustus, Duke of Cumberland, Duke of Brunswick and Lüneburg. Only the extremely rare 12th volume, of which only a few copies were printed in 1919, is missing. Some volumes contain a book dedication by the author.



E. Fiala, Münzen und Medaillen der Welfischen Lande. Set of volume 1-11. Various bindings. Estimate: 1,000 euros

We also want to mention two extremely rare bracteates from the island of Rügen, Germany's largest and most populous island, right opposite of Stralsund. In 1168, the Danish king Waldemar I conquered the island and forced the Slavic Rani to get baptized. Rani prince Jaromar I became a Danish vassal. He had a very rare bracteate minted on Rügen, the second piece is from his grandson Jaromar II.

Of course, these aren't the only interesting coins. We present a small selection of attractive specimens:

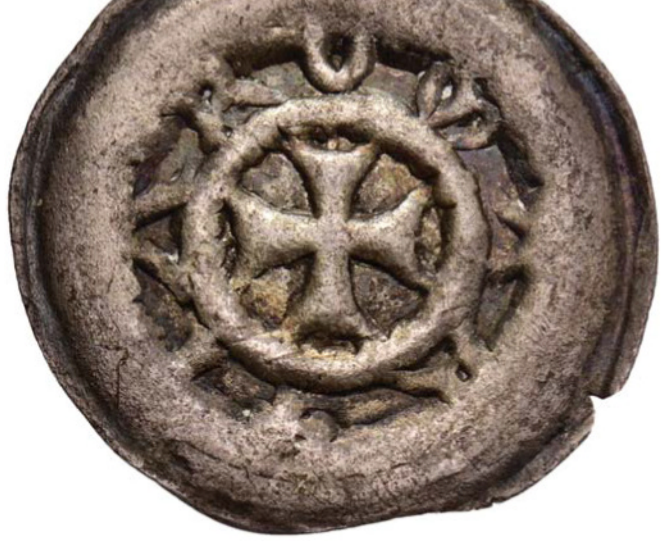
No. 1028: Bolivia. 1825 silver medal commemorating Simon Bolivar, dedicated to him by the city of Potosí. Beautiful patina. About FDC. Estimate: 1,000 euros

No. 1036: USA. 10 dollars 1926, Philadelphia. Extremely fine. Estimate: 750 euros

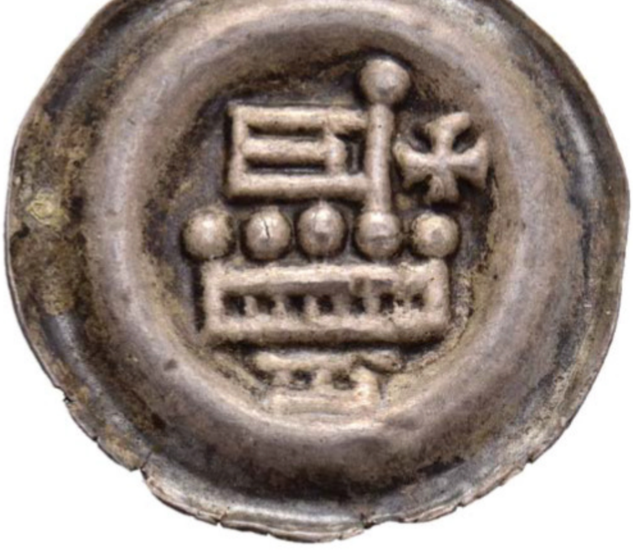
No. 1041: Habsburg hereditary lands. Archduke Ferdinand Charles, 1632-1662. Double reichstaler n.d. (1654), Hall. About extremely fine. Estimate: 1,000 euros

No. 1058: Prussia. Frederick II, 1740-1786. Double Friedrichs d'or 1765 A. Very rare. Very fine. Estimate: 3,000 euros

No. 1147: Brunswick-Lüneburg. Frederick, 1636-1648. Reichstaler n.d. (1643/48), Zellerfeld. Very rare. About extremely fine. Estimate: 500 euros



Rügen. Jaromar I, 1168-1218. Bracteate. Extremely rare. Very fine +. Estimate: 1,000 euros



Rügen. Jaromar II, 1249-1260. Bracteate. Extremely rare. Very fine +. Estimate: 750 euros.))

No. 1163: Brunswick-Lüneburg. Frederick, 1636-1648. 1643 reichstaler commemorating the death of his sister Margaret. Very rare. Very fine to extremely fine. Estimate: 1,000 euros

No. 1195: Brunswick-Hanover. George V, 1851-1866. 10 talers 1854. Extremely fine. Estimate: 1,500 euros

No. 1217: Bremen. Reichstaler 1723. Extremely fine +. Estimate: 1,000 euros

No. 1226: Frankfurt. 1658 double ducat commemorating the coronation of Leopold I as Holy Roman Emperor in Frankfurt. Very rare. About extremely fine. Estimate: 3,000 euros

No. 1240: Hersfeld / Abbey. Siegfried, 1180-1200. Bracteate, Hersfeld. Specimen of the Bonhoff Coll. (1977), No. 1388. Rare. Minor edge break. About extremely fine. Estimate: 500 euros

No. 1247: Jever. Friederike Auguste Sophie of Anhalt-Zerbst, 1793-1807. 1798 Prussian reichstaler, Silberhütte. Only 1,000 specimens minted. Rare. Very fine to extremely fine. Estimate: 500 euros

No. 1271: Pomerania. Bogislaw XIV, 1625-1637. Ducat n.d., Stettin. Very rare. Very fine. Estimate: 1,500 euros

No. 1285: Saxony. John Frederick the Magnanimous and Henry, 1539-1541. Taler 1540, Annaberg. Rare in this quality. Extremely fine. Estimate: 1,000 euros

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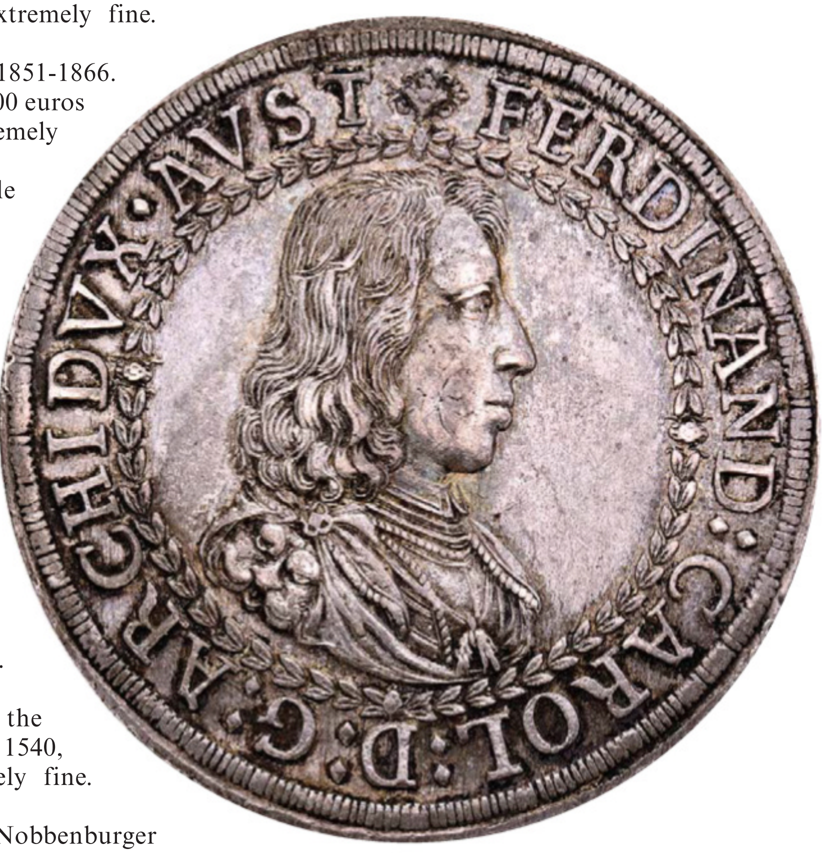

Habsburg hereditary lands. Archduke Ferdinand Charles, 1632-1662. Double reichstaler n.d. (1654), Hall. About extremely fine. Estimate: 1,000 euros

Canada Dominates in COTY Category Wins

Canada was the country to beat as the best of the best went head-to-head in the first round of balloting for the 2022 Coin of the Year (COTY) Awards, an internationally conducted awards program recognizing excellence and ingenuity in coin design. The annual program, presented by World Coin News and sponsored by the Journal of East Asian Numismatics, honors 2021-dated coins issued by countries around the world.

From a field of 100 coins put forth by the COTY Nominating Committee, judges were faced with tough competition from coins across the globe. Many mints had multiple nominations and voting was close in many categories, but there could only be one winner for each. While some categories had close calls, with the winners taking home the trophy with only a few votes to set them above others, others blew their competitors out of the water. Canada was one such example in Best Crown, winning the category with the most votes received across all categories of the entire COTY competition. Canada also won the Best Circulating.

Austria and Ukraine are also taking home more than one trophy, with Austria winning the Bi-Metallic and Innovative categories and Ukraine coming out on top in Best Contemporary Event and Most Artistic. The United Kingdom won the Most Historically. Significant category, the United States is taking home the trophy for Best Gold, China in Best Silver, and Tokelau in Most Inspirational.

The winners in each of these 10 categories will go on to the final round in the competition and vie for the prestigious title of Coin of the Year.

Following is a list of these category winners with commentary from Tom Michael, COTY co-coordinator, World Coin News contributor and NumisMaster market analyst.

Stay tuned for the final winner to be announced and for details on the 2023 awards ceremony at www.NumismaticNews.net.

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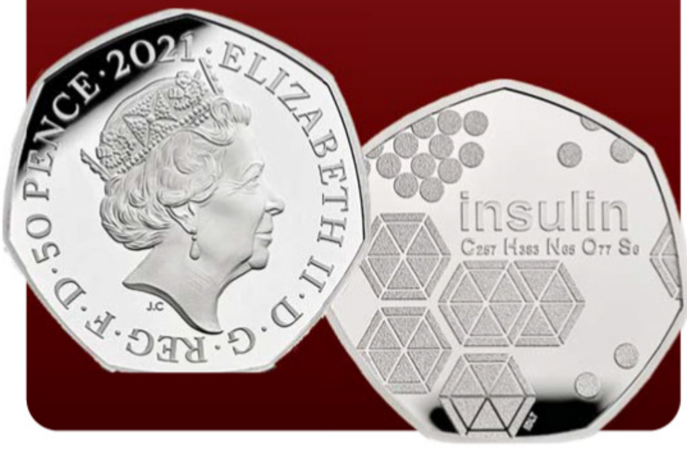
Most Historically Significant Coin

The United Kingdom
50 Pence, Silver
Centenary - Discovery of Insulin

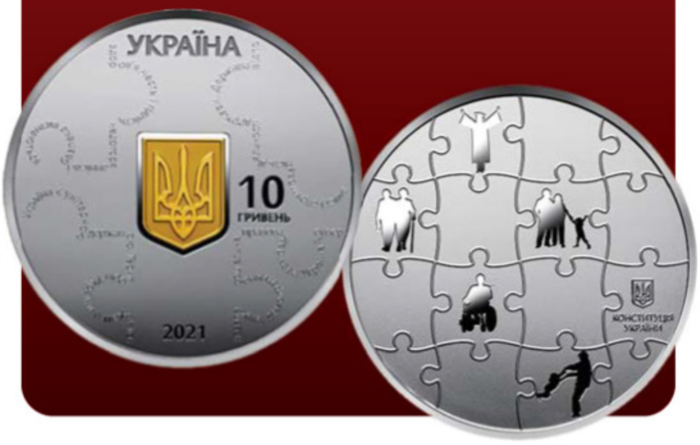
The COTY 100 offered up a couple of Centenary of the Discovery of Insulin coins in this year's competition, with the Royal Mint silver 50 pence pushing its way to the top of the Historically Significant category to carry the win and bring a trophy to the UK.



Best Contemporary Event Coin

Ukraine
10 Hryvnias, Silver
25th Anniversary - Ukrainian Constitution

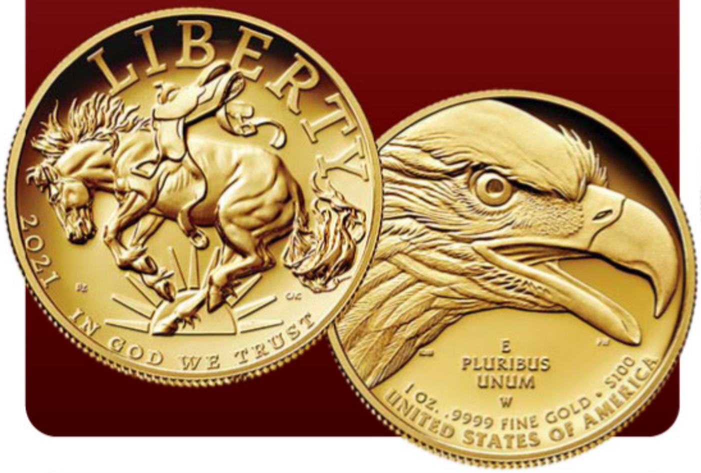
The COTY Nominating Committee reflected the broader world's focus on Ukraine in their attentions to coinage in this year's competition. Ukrainian coins received six nominations in the COTY 100 and won two categories, the first being for this 25th Anniversary of the Ukrainian Constitution 10 Hryvnias which presented an understated yet extremely expressive design featuring microtext with Constitutional passages.



Best Gold Coin

United States
100 Dollar, Gold
American Liberty

While the Best Gold Coin category of COTY is usually an extremely competitive one, this year the 100 Dollars American Liberty high relief strike by the United States Mint really took off, much as the 225th Anniversary 100 Dollars American Liberty did in the competition for 2017 dated gold coins. This brings the current COTY trophy total for the U.S. Mint to 51.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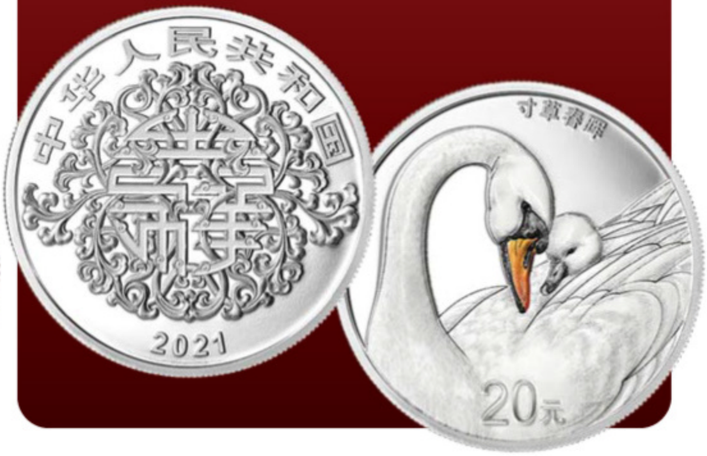
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Best Silver Coin

China
20 Yuan, Silver
Auspicious Culture - Swans

The best Silver Coin category had the tightest vote distribution in all of COTY this year. It presented a case where all ten coins got some love from the Judges, but China's silver 20 Yuan Auspicious Culture – Swans took the trophy.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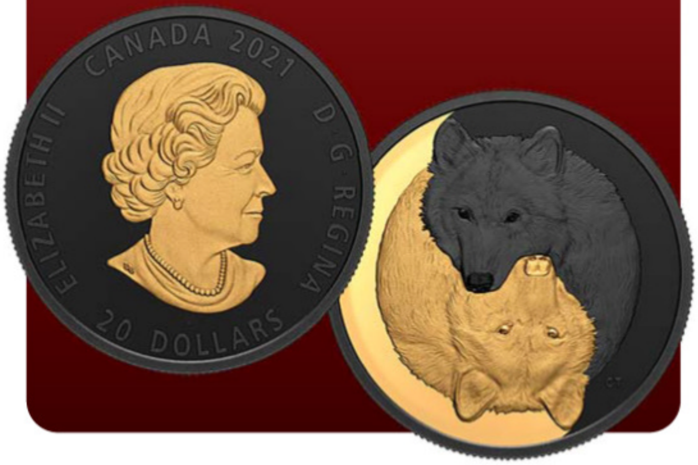
2021
20元

Best Crown Coin

Canada
20 Dollar, Silver, Gold and Black Rhodium Plating
The Grey Wolf - Black and Gold

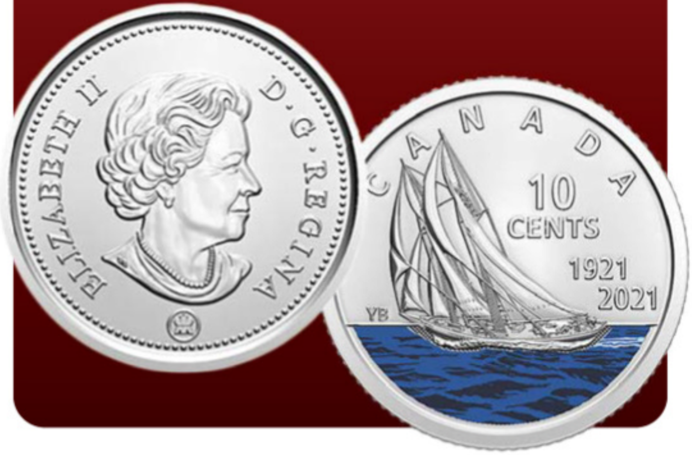
The Best Crown category produced the highest winning vote total in all of this year's COTY balloting, with the stunning Royal Canadian Mint Grey Wolf 20 Dollars in a black and gold yin-yang form receiving more than double the votes of almost all of its contenders.


CANADA 2021
ELIZABETH II
D·G·REGINA
20 DOLLARS

Best Circulating Coin

Canada
10 Cents, Nickel - Plated Steel
100th Anniversary - Bluenose

The Royal Canadian Mint 100th Anniversary of the Bluenose 10 cent piece presents such a compellingly beautiful use of color in a circulating coin that I can truly understand why the COTY Judges panel appreciated it as much as the Canadian public.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CANADA
10 CENTS
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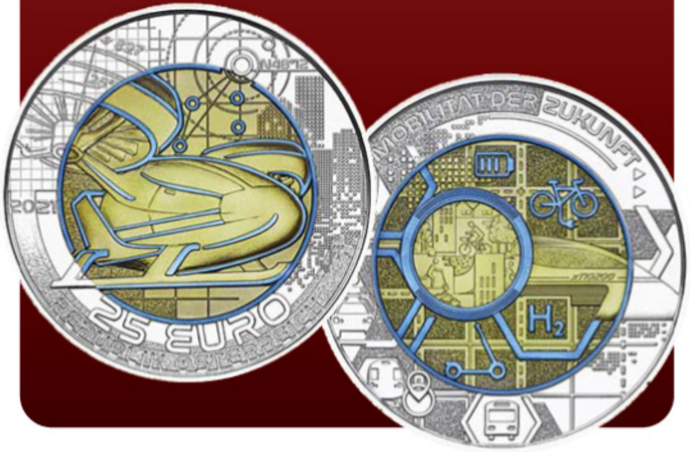
Best Bi-Metallic Coin

Austria
25 Euro, Silver - Niobium
Smart Mobility

The dynasty continues for the Austrian Mint's 25 euro silver-niobium series with their Smart Mobility coin which remains focused on technology and presents collectors with the most impressive approach to producing color on a coin that we know of in the modern commemorative coin market.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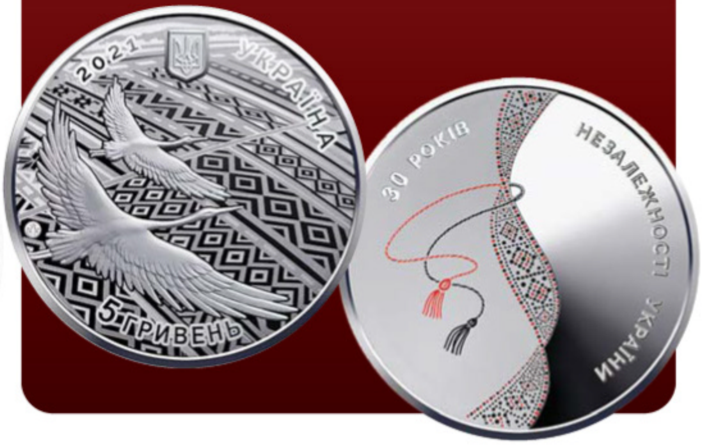
Most Artistic Coin

Ukraine
5 Hryvnias, Base Metal
30th Anniversary - Ukraine's Independence

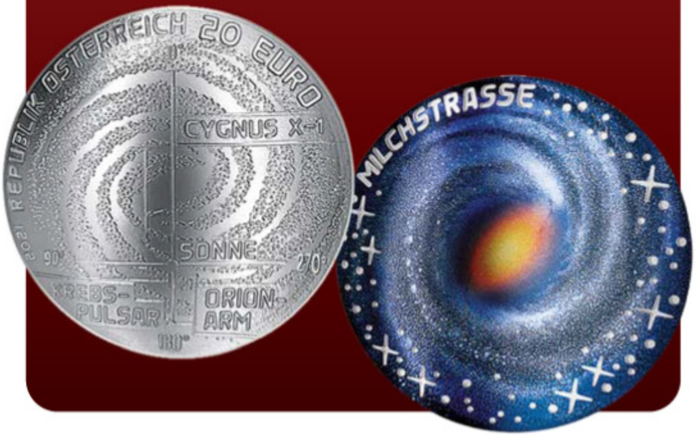
Ukraine's second win this year is one of my very favorite coins from the COTY 100 Nominees and our Judges validated my impression by selecting this beautiful design as the Most Artistic Coin in the 2023 competition. Storks flying over fields of tradition Ukrainian textile patterns and the light, airy DNA design featuring slight coloration, speak to the fragile nature of Independence in a way that make this a coin universally representative of our times.


2021
УКРАЇНА
5 ГРИВЕНЬ
30 РОКІВ
НЕЗАЛЕЖНОСТІ УКРАЇНИ

Most Innovative Coin

Austria
20 Euro; Silver
The Milky Way

The field of ten nominees for this year's Innovative category were quite diverse, featuring shapes in 2 and 3 dimensions, interesting visual effects, tech related aspects and complex design work applying two or more of these aspects. The Austrian silver 20 euro reflecting The Milky Way provided a fascinating combination of convex and concave surfaces along with excellent scientific expression and accuracy which separated it from the herd and provided the Austrian Mint its second COTY trophy of the competition.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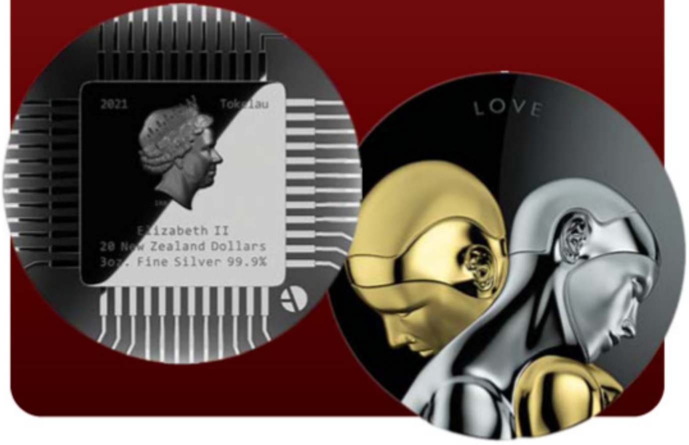
Most Inspirational Coin

Tokelau
20 New Zealand Dollars; Silver
The Next Evolution

Voting for the Most Inspirational coin was very diverse this year, with COTY Judges looking to the past, present and future for inspiring themes. The winner arose from a view of the future with The Next Evolution 20 Dollar black proof silver and gold plated issue for Tokelau paving the way for this countries first COTY win and some major recognition for Artisan Coin Productions innovative design work.


2021
Tokelau
Elizabeth II
20 New Zealand Dollars
3oz. Fine Silver 99.9%
LOVE

The Royal Mint Reveals the First Coins of 2023 Bearing the King's Official Coinage Portrait

The Royal Mint has revealed the first commemorative coins for 2023 to bear His Majesty The King's official coinage portrait. The release is the first chance for collectors to own a set of 2023 dated coins that feature King Charles III portrait. The Royal Mint unveiled His Majesty's portrait in September 2022, as part of Queen Elizabeth II memorial coin range and all new coins struck from Jan. 1, 2023 will now bear King Charles III portrait.

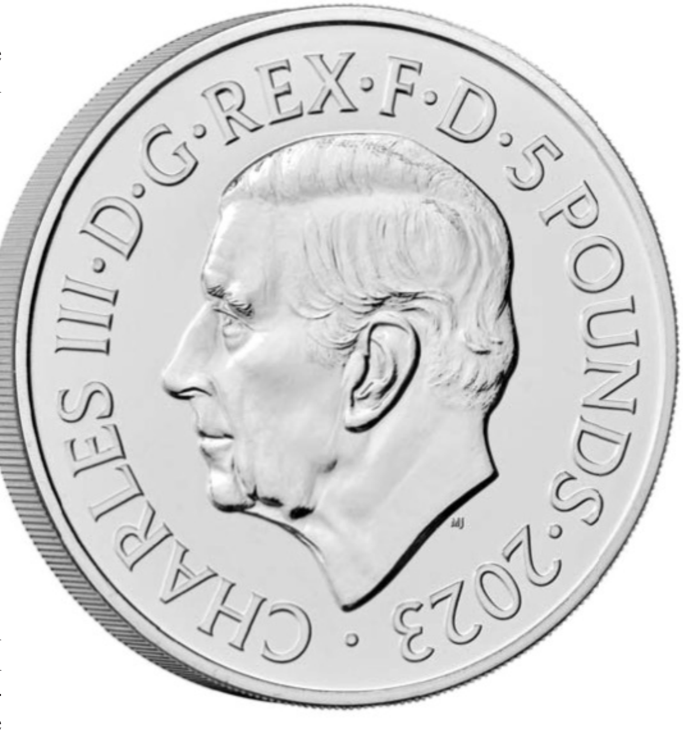
The unveiling of this collection of coins symbolizes one of the biggest changes to UK coins since decimalization. Collectors will see UK coins begin their transition from Britain's longest reigning monarch, Queen Elizabeth II's portrait, to King Charles III's which will now appear on all UK coinage moving forward.

"The Royal Mint has an official duty to strike the coins of UK monarchs and has been responsible for doing so since the reign of Alfred the Great. We were the first Mint to reveal the effigy of King Charles III in September 2022 and as Deputy Master of the Mint, I am honored to unveil the first collection of 2023 coins featuring the effigy of King Charles III as we cement our role in history with this next chapter in British coinage," said Anne Jessopp, CEO of The Royal Mint.

The Royal Mint's Annual Sets celebrate key events and anniversaries throughout the year, bringing milestones to life on a £5, £2 or 50p coin. The 2023 Annual Set will include coins celebrating and commemorating:

The 75th Birthday of His Majesty King Charles III £5

In 2023, King Charles III will celebrate his 75th birthday. The Royal Mint pay tribute to a monarch who has already spent his life dedicated to a variety of good causes, as he sets out on a new journey where he has promised his "lifelong service" to the people of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth. His Majesty's love of nature and plants is captured within the design of this commemorative £5, where the crown, The King's cypher, and the number 75 is framed within oak leaves and delphiniums. The precious metal editions of the coin will also bear an edge inscription which says 'RESTORING HARMONY WITH NATURE'.



The new common obverse for coins from the Royal Mint featuring King Charles III.

Celebrating the Life and Work of JRR Tolkien £2

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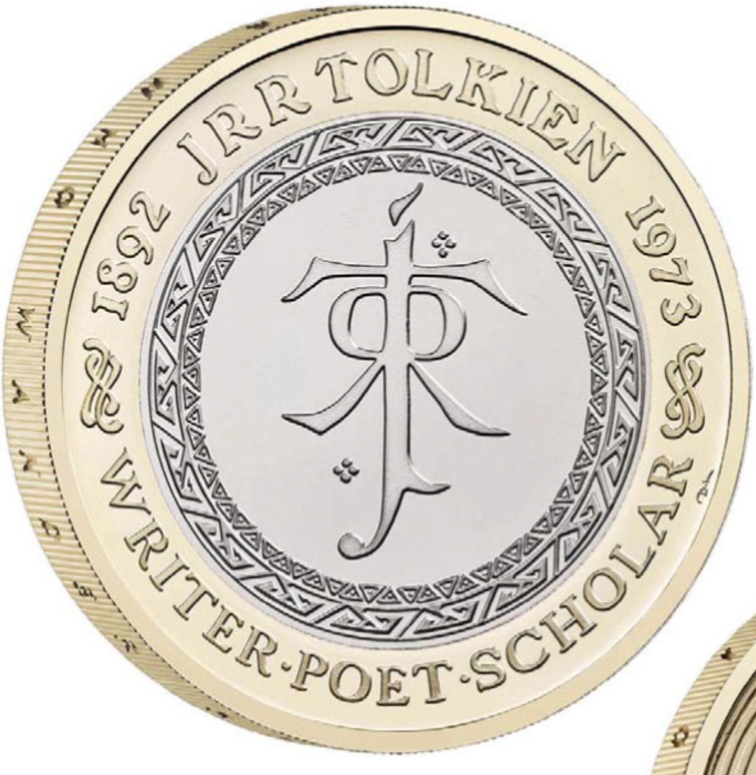


The reverse design of the coin celebrating the life and works of JRR Tolkien, who is often known as being the father of modern fantasy.

lologist, JRR Tolkien is best known for creating the seminal fantasy novel The Hobbit in 1937 and the immensely popular The Lord of the Rings in 1954–55. In honour of Tolkien's intellect and imagination, this £2 coin features Tolkien's unique monogram encircled by a skilfully designed runic band. 'NOT ALL THOSE WHO WANDER ARE LOST', a quote taken from the poem, 'The Riddle of Strider,' which features in Tolkien's The Fellowship of the Ring, serves as the coin's edge inscription.

Celebrating the Centenary of Flying Scotsman £2

Earning its name from the daily 10.00am London to Edinburgh rail service, the Flying Scotsman's 100-year journey has seen it break railway records, gain worldwide fame, and become an enduring symbol of the great age of steam. As the Flying Scotsman celebrates its centenary in 2023, The Royal Mint has produced a £2 coin to celebrate the oldest working locomotive still operating on the UK's mainline railways. The coin will also bear a fitting edge inscription, 'LIVE FOR THE JOURNEY'.

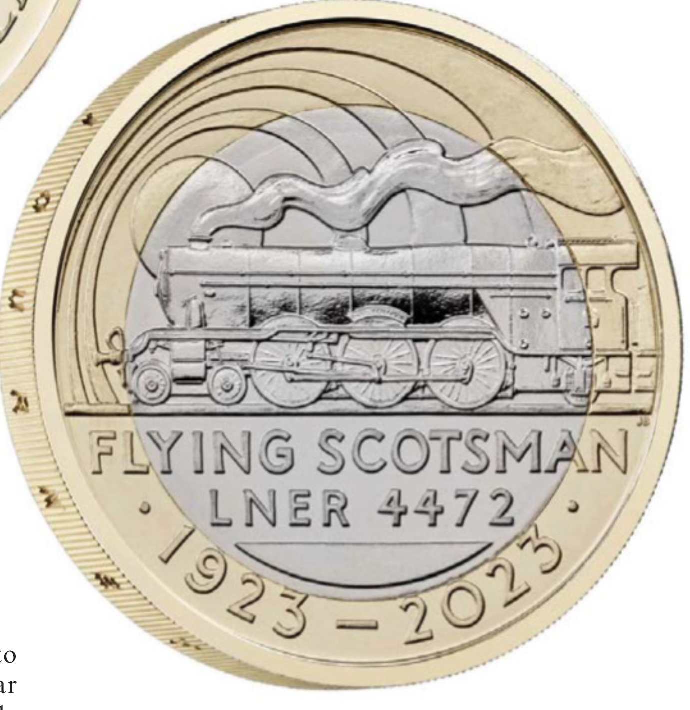
75 Years of the National Health Service 50p

Established in 1948 with the aim of providing care, based on need, and free at the point of use, the National Health Service has been a vital component of British society since its creation. Celebrating 75 years of care, compassion and devotion, this commemorative UK 50p coin features a reverse design which incorporates words that reflect our universal appreciation of the NHS.

75 Years of the Windrush Generation 50p

On 21 June 1948, a ship called HMT Empire Windrush docked at Tilbury, in Essex, having arrived from Jamaica. The ship has become symbolic of its passengers and their subsequent generations who have played a pivotal role in shaping the United Kingdom since the Second World War. This 50p coin commemorates 75 years since the ship's arrival and features a design by the artist Valda Jackson, whose parents came to Britain from the Caribbean, which depicts two of the ship's passengers set against a backdrop of the Union flag.

The 2023 commemorative sets became available in a range of precious metal and base proof finishes on January 3 at The Royal Mint website, with prices starting from £50. Each of the coins will be available individually in 2023.



The Flying Scotsman was a daily rail service in London and has quite the history from its 100 years in service.

THE YEAR OF THE Rabbit

The Lunar New Year, also known as the Chinese New Year, takes place on January 22 this year. Festivities don't last only one night, however. Celebrations can range from 7 to 16 days. The first 7 are a public holiday.

Hopping into the year 2023 is the Year of the Rabbit. The previous Year of the Rabbit was in 2011, and the next will be 2035. Rabbits are known for their kindness and are often seen as soft and weak because of it, when in reality their quiet nature hides their confidence and strength. They are socializers and have good reasoning skills with an attention to detail.

The year 2023 coincides with the element water, so those born this year have a fortune told of having financial hardships during their youth but are able to turn unfortunate events around. During elderly years, money must be spent to preserve longevity. If this fortune sounds familiar, the last water rabbit year was in 1963.

Men born to the Year of the Rabbit, according to the Chinese zodiac, are polite and avoid conflict, however they will have a hard line they will not cross. They are organized and helpful, a great friend but don't often like to open up and get too close to the people around them.

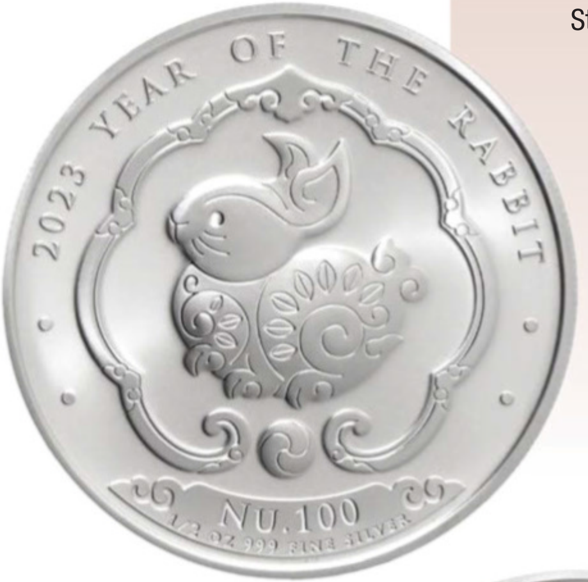
Women born in the rabbit year are social butterflies. They're thoughtful and polite and very conscious of their public image.

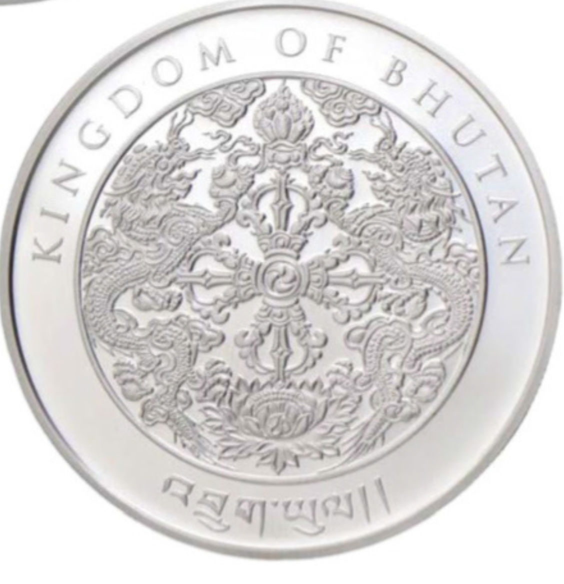
The story of the Chinese zodiacs is an interesting one. Similar to the classic fable in western culture of the Tortoise and the Hare, the Chinese rabbit was very proud of his speed and ridiculed his neighbor the Ox. When the Jade Emperor declared that the zodiac order would be decided by the order in which the animals arrived at his party, the rabbit left as soon as possible. Sure that he would arrive first, he took a nap on the side of the road. When he woke up, three animals had arrived before him, including the Ox.

The Lunar New Year is a large celebration and holiday, which invites many exciting commemorative coins and tokens to be made by mints around the world. The following are a few selections out of many that range in size, shape, metal, and design. Though the selection found here seems far from just a few, there is no way to fit all the possibilities in just one article.

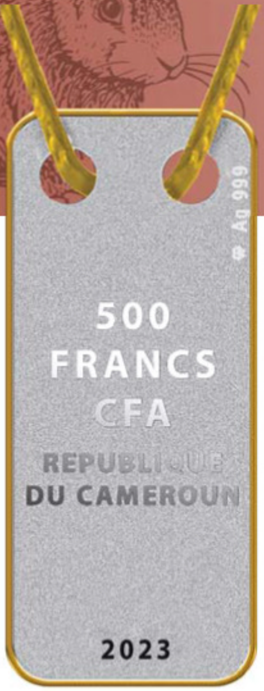
WELL-KNOWN RABBITS

Albert Einstein, Bob Hope, Andy Murray, Angelina Jolie, Frank Sinatra, Ingrid Bergman, Tracy Emin, Mark Hamill, Mike Myers, Gordon Brown, Garry Kasparov, Johnny Depp, Drew Barrymore, David Beckham, Quentin Tarantino, Marc Jacobs, David Beckham, Tobey Maguire, Kate Winslet, Eartha Kitt, Roger Moore, Jerry Stiller, Bob Fosse





The Kingdom of Bhutan has a few selections for the Year of the Rabbit. Minted by the Singapore Mint, the Kingdom of Bhutan has been releasing their Happiest Lunar coin series since 2016. This year, the mintage is capped at 10,000. Offered in silver and gold, the obverse shows a stylized rabbit with "2023 Year of the Rabbit" along the top rim. The reverse of the coin depicts the national emblem of the Kingdom of Bhutan in an intricate engraving.



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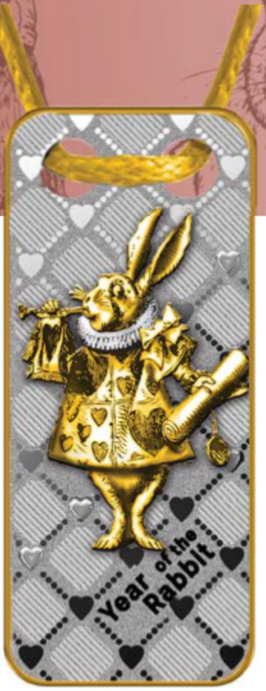

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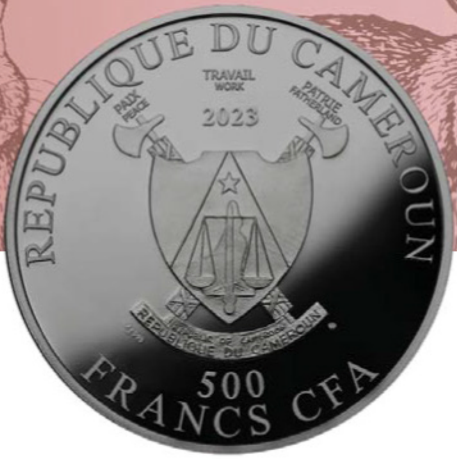

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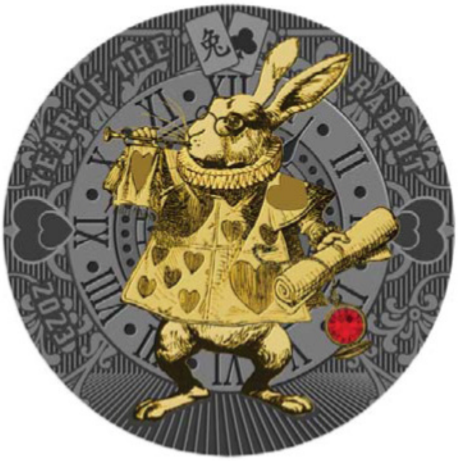

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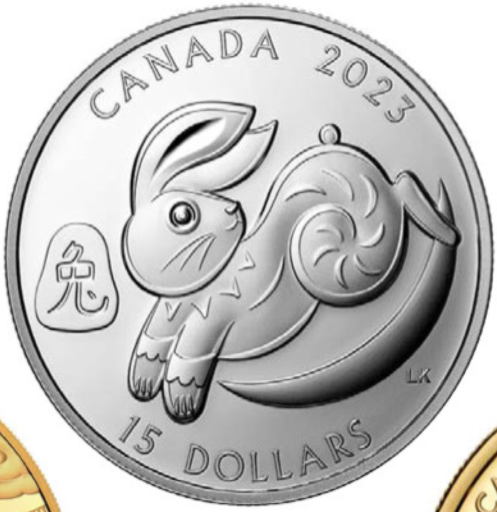
Accompanied with a fashionable jewelry cord, the 500 franc coin pendant from Cameroon would make a great gift for those in your life who may not be a collector. The rabbit on both coins is dressed to look like a royal announcer, much like the white rabbit from the famous children's story Alice in Wonderland. He even has his pocket watch, which has an inlaid stone in the circular coin, to make sure he stays on time for this year's festivities.



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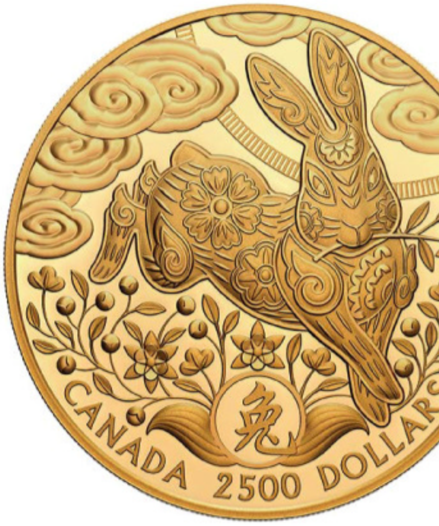

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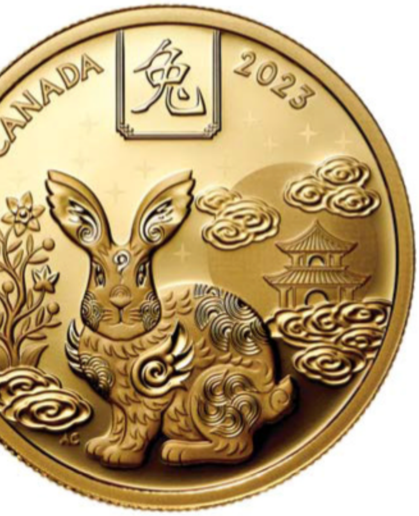
Canada has multiple options to pick from in both design and metal. Two very detailed designs show intricate swirls, flowers and motifs. The third is simple, but quite elegant. All three have the common obverse of Jody Clark's effigy of the late Queen Elizabeth II.



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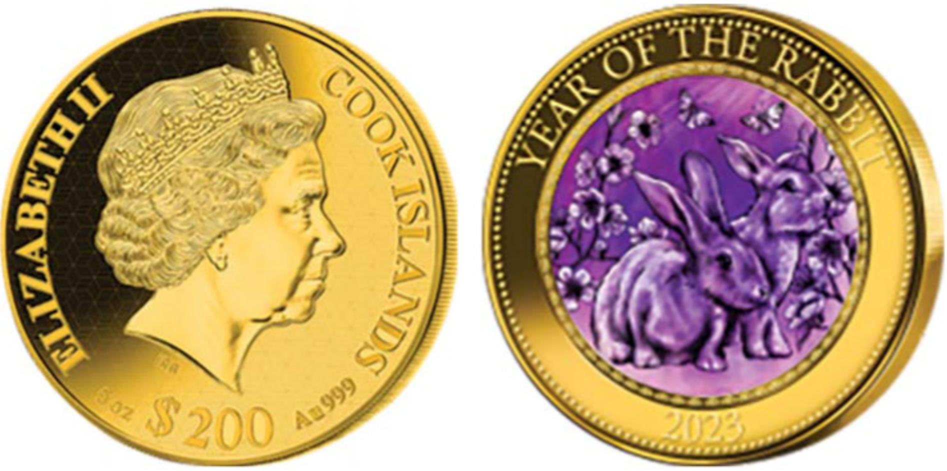
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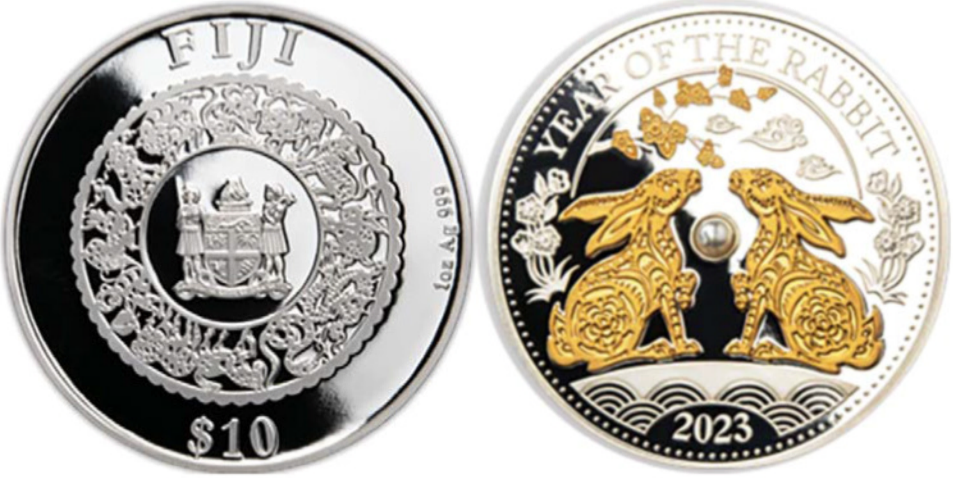
B.H. Mayer presents two coins on behalf of Cook Islands. One gold and one silver with the same design. It is more common to see colorization on silver coins, but here the purple center can be found on both. Two realistic rabbits sit huddled in the center of these coins surrounded by flowers and butterflies. The effigy of Queen Elizabeth II can be found on the obverse.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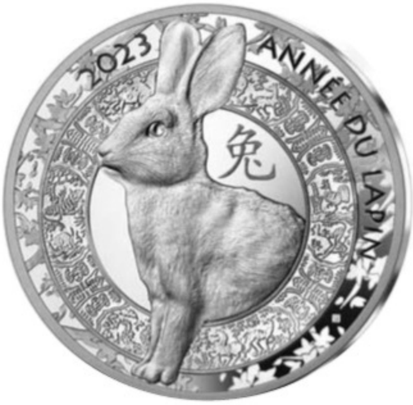
This $10 gold plated silver coin is also from B.H. Mayer on behalf of Fiji. The reverse shows two golden rabbits, with gorgeous detailing in their fur. Separating the two rabbits is a freshwater pearl set into the coin.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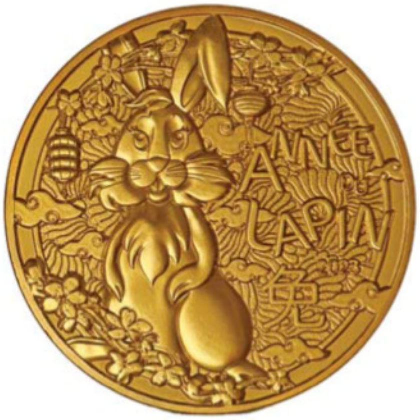
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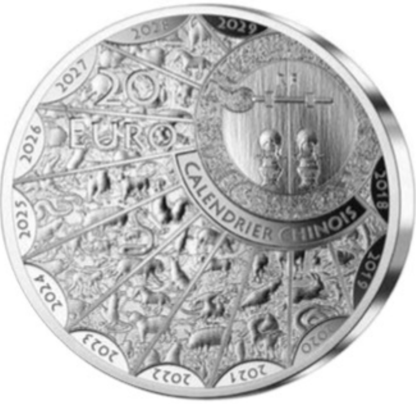
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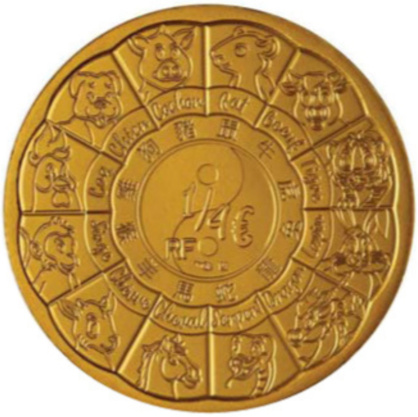
CALENDRIER CHINOIS

The French Mint, Monnaie de Paris, does not disappoint. With silver and gold options as well as design choices, it wouldn't be a bad idea to collect them all. In silver we can see the first design, a realistic rabbit coming out of the center of the coin with motifs of all the zodiac animals surrounding it. The reversed shows the Chinese zodiac calendar, starting in 2018 and going until 2029, the different animals gathering within. In the gold example, the obverse has a stylized rabbit with Annee du Lapin beside it, translating to Year of the Rabbit. The reverse has the yin yang symbol in the center, with the twelve animal zodiacs surrounding it. The rabbit is on the side of yin in Chinese culture.



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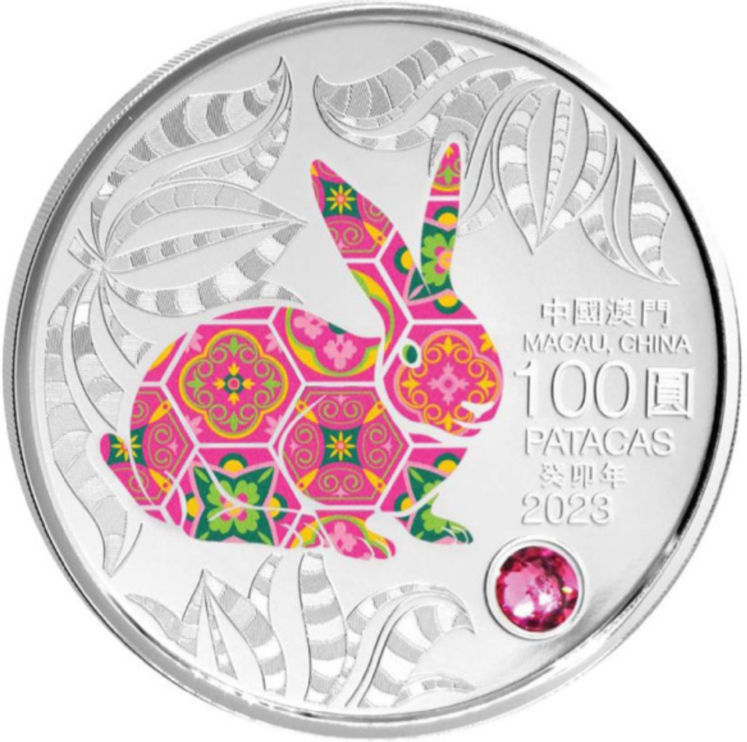
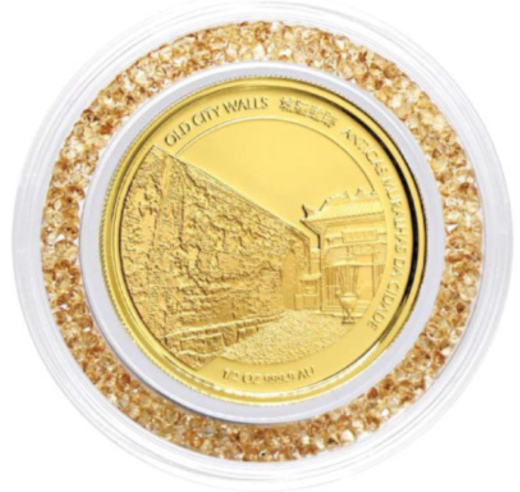
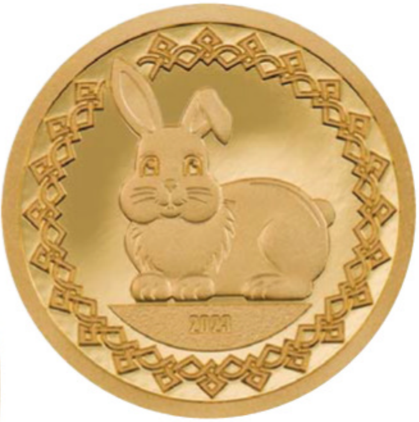
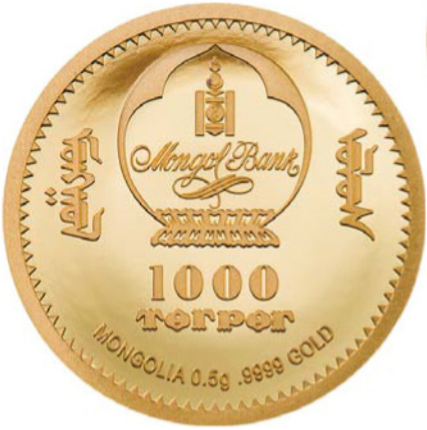




Offered in silver and gold, the coins from Macau are vibrant and fun, reflecting the celebratory time of the New Year. The reverse shows a pink-colored rabbit with Portuguese-inspired tiles. The rabbit is surrounded by lotuses. The silver coin can come with or without the pink Swarovski insert. The gold coin has both the pink rabbit and gold Swarovski decoration around the rim. The obverse of the coin shows the Old City Walls of Macau.

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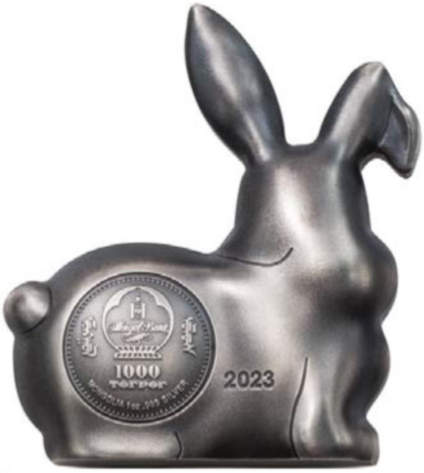
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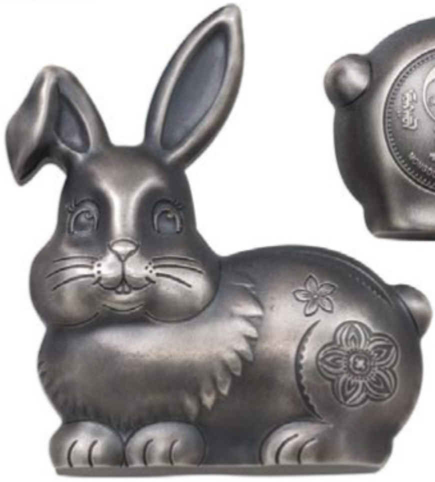

Mongolia's coins, minted by CIT, can be found in both silver and gold. The gold circular coin (above) has the typical obverse, with a reverse of a simple rabbit and the year 2023 underneath it. Also offered is a silver 1,000 Togrog rabbit. No one would suspect the tiny 35mm figurine sitting on your shelf is actually a coin!

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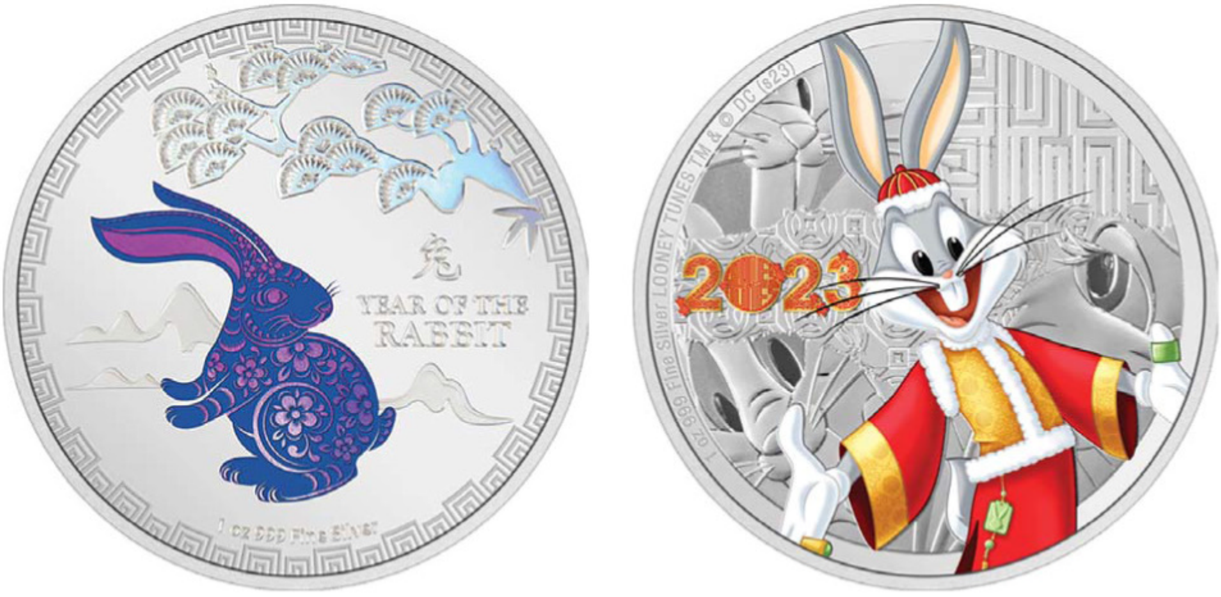
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YEAR OF THE RABBIT
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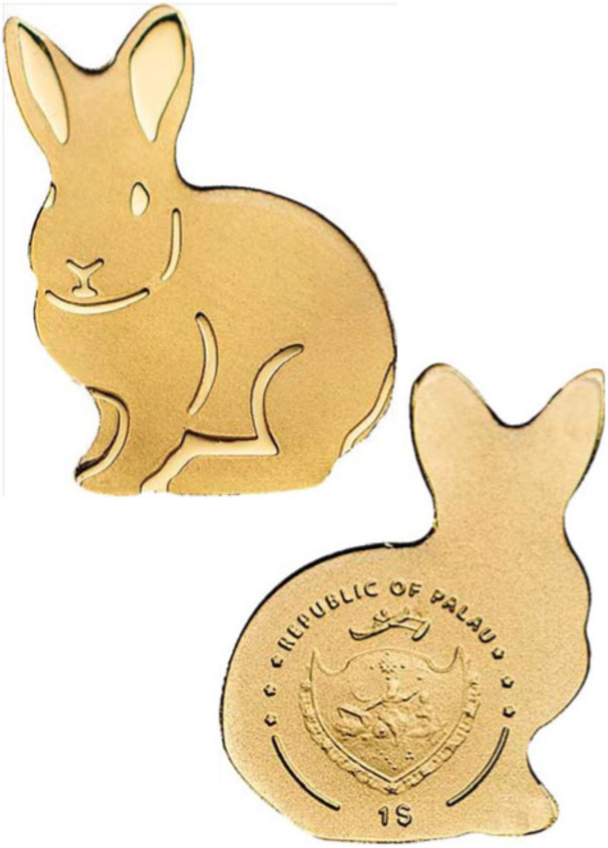
The New Zeland Mint, on behalf of Niue, always comes out with fun new coins. This year there are many to pick from, so here are just two to showcase some of the range in choices. The first is a blue rabbit standing in the middle of the coin, its head turned facing right. The design is simple, but beautiful. The blues and purples striking against the silver coin. On the opposite end of the spectrum, Niue has released a coin featuring Bugs Bunny from the Looney Toons™ celebrating the new year.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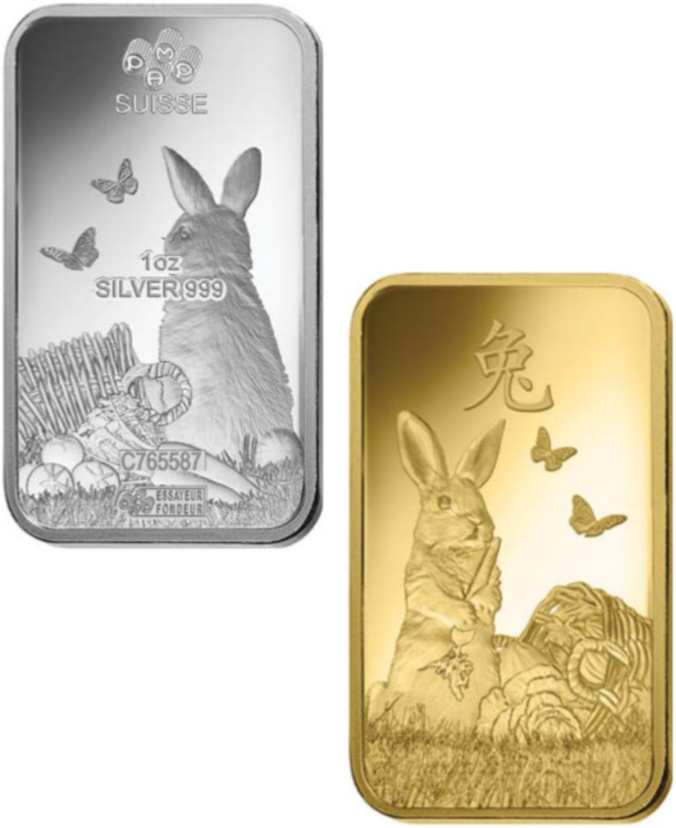
Palau's rabbit coin is another shaped coin, though this one is only 11mm and is flat opposed to the figurine style found in the Mongolian coins. The design is simple for the tiny coin, with Republic of Palau and $1 found on the obverse.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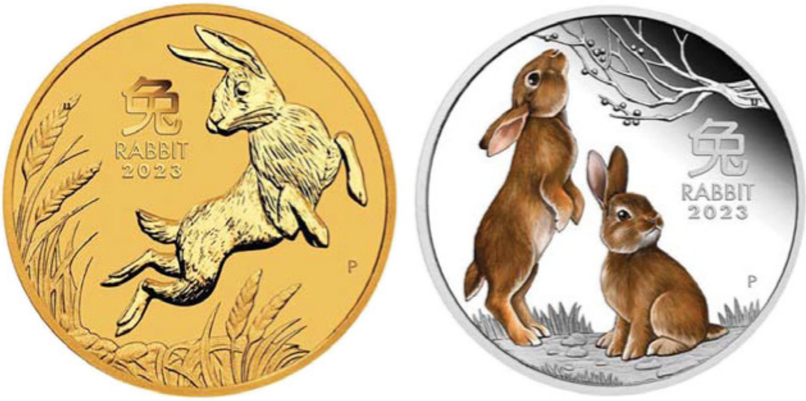
PAMP's Year of the Rabbit token comes in either silver or gold. Here, the obverse is represented in silver, and the reverse in gold. A step away from the coins, these silver and gold bullion tokens are still quite attractive and allow for some bullion collecting.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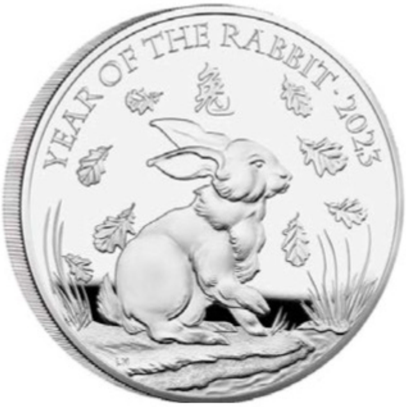
The Perth Mint has many design options. Shown on the 1/4oz gold coin is a rabbit in mid leap. This is the fourth design in the Australian Lunar Series III. The silver coin has cute colorized rabbits sitting together looking for food.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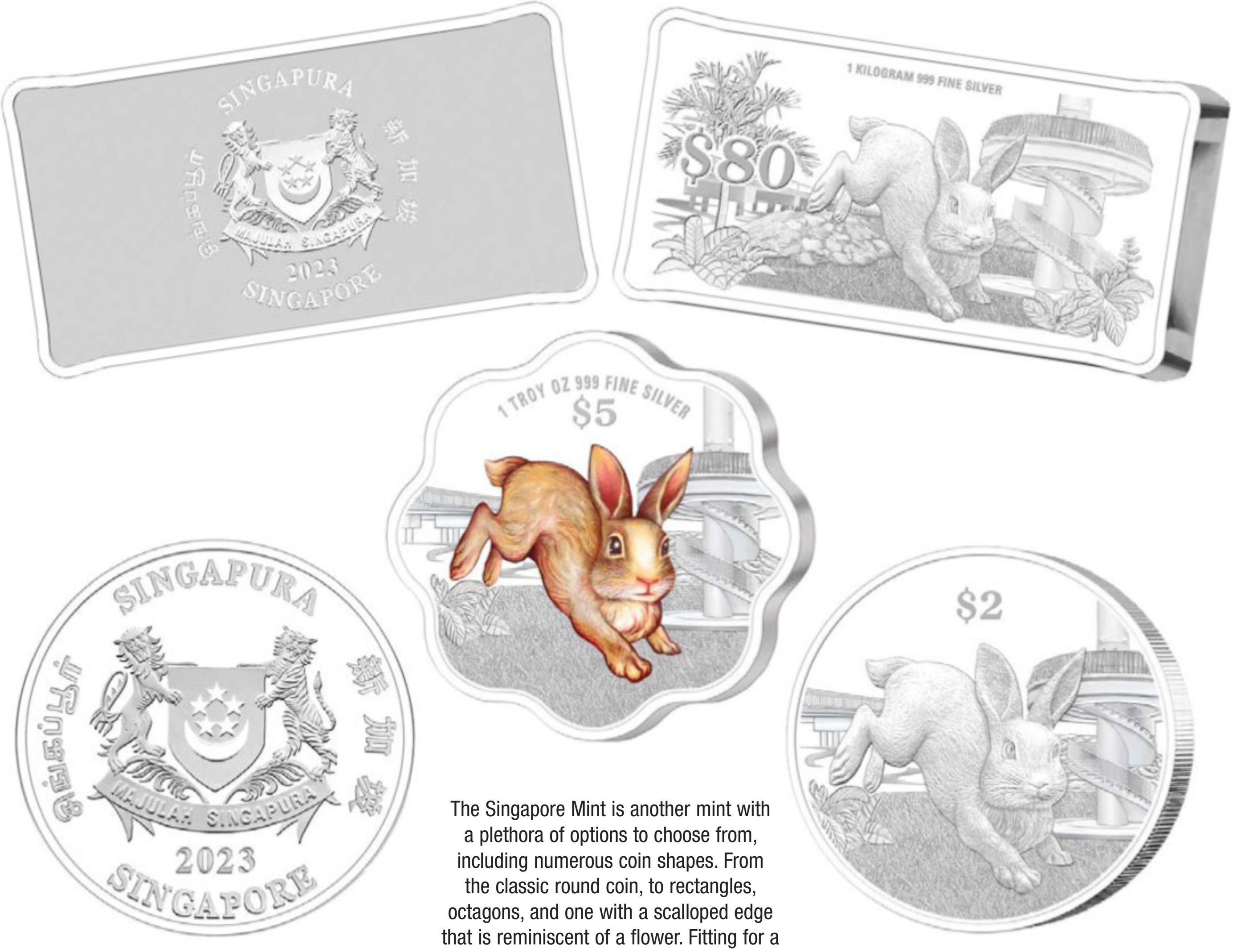
The rabbit is often portrayed as a sign of luck and a sign of spring. While we can only hope that the Year of the Rabbit will bring good luck, the British Royal Mint has created a beautiful example of a rabbit bringing in the new season on this coin.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The Singapore Mint is another mint with a plethora of options to choose from, including numerous coin shapes. From the classic round coin, to rectangles, octagons, and one with a scalloped edge that is reminiscent of a flower. Fitting for a rabbit bringing in Spring.

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Feb 10-11 CA, San Jose. CoinExpo San Jose. Double Tree Hotel, 2050 Gateway Place. SH: Fri. 10-6; Sat. 10-5. A: $6. PH: 415- 601-8661 or www.griffincoin.com.

Mar 5 CA, Livermore. LVCC 59th Annual Show. Elks Lodge, 940 Larkspur Drive. SH: 10am - 4pm. SP: Livermore Valley Coin Club. A: Free. T: 24. F: $180. Jonathan Mitchell, PO Box 610, Livermore, CA, 94550. PH: 925- 954-5221 or jmitchell@neighborhoodam.com.

CONNECTICUT

Feb 19 CT, Cromwell. Cromwell-Hartford Coin & Currency Show. Courtyard Mariott, 4 Sebethe Dr.. SH: 9am - 3pm. SP: J&S Collectibles. A: Free. T: 40. F: $65/$80. J&S Collectibles LLC, John Stassins Jr. PH: 718- 323-1930 or PH: 212- 777-0662 or stassinsj98@aol.com.

Feb 25 CT, Naugatuck. Naugatuck Coin & Currency Show. American Legion Post #17, 21 Cedar St.. SH: 9am - 2pm. A: Free. T: 20. F: $50. J&S Collectibles, LLC, John Stassins Jr.. PH: 718- 323-1930 or PH: 212- 777-0662 or stassinsj98@aol.com.

FLORIDA

Feb 25 FL, Hudson. The Pasco Coin Club Coin & Collectibles Show. Elks Lodge #2520, 9135 Denton Ave. SH: 9-3. SP: Coin Club of Pasco County. A: Free. Chuck Grecco. PH: 727- 534-7597 or www.pascocoinclub.com.

Feb 26 FL, Greenacres. Palm Beach Coin Club's Monthly Coin Show. American Polish Club, 4725 Lake Worth Road. SH: 9am - 3pm. SP: Palm Beach Coin Club. A: Free. T: 50. Tony Swicer. PH: 561- 964-7236 or swicer@comcast.net.

Mar 4 FL, Fort Myers. Coin & Paper Money Show. Masonic Lodge, 10868 Metro Pkwy.. SH: 9am - 3pm. SP: Fort Myers Coin Club. A: Free. T: 30. Jay Chamberlain. PH: 239- 297-8592 or jcflcoins@comcast.net.

GEORGIA

Feb 12 GA, Marietta. Greater Atlanta Coin Show. Hilton Atlanta/Marietta Hotel & Conference Center, 500 Powder Springs Street. SH: 9am - 5pm. A: Free. T: 37. F: $90. Bob O'Brien. PH: 770- 772-4359 or atlcoin@hotmail.com or www.atlcoin.com.

Mar 3-4 GA, Leesburg. 14th Annual Albany Coin Show. The Bindery at Oakland County Library, 445 Oakland Parkway. SH: 9-5. SP: Southwest Georgia Coin Club. A: $1. T: 40. F: $175. Jeff Neal George Andrew. PH: 229- 869-9953 or PH: 229- 349-9935 or gaanderson.1966@yahoo.com.

ILLINOIS

Feb 5 IL, Peotone. Peotone Coin Show. Will County Fairgrounds, 710 S. West St.. SH: 9-3. A: Free. Jeff Paunicka. PH: 574- 315-0238. Jim Paicz. PH: 708-670-3469 or show@jpexpo.net.

Feb 12 IL, Countryside. West Suburban Coin Expo. Operating Engineers Local 150 Union Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd.. SH: 9am - 3pm. A: Free. Kevin Wasmer. PH: 630- 399-9060 or westsuburbancoinshow.com.

Feb 26 IL, Joliet. Will County Coin Club 63rd Annual Coin Show. JJC Weitendorf Ag. Ed. Ctr,, 17840 Laraway Rd.. SH: 8-3. SP: Will County Coin Club. A: Free. T: 65. F: $45. Rich Hlavacik. PH: 815- 212-1253 or hlavacik21@gmail.com.

INDIANA

Feb 12 IN, Indianapolis. 71st Street Coin & Currency Show. Northside Event & Social Club, 2100 E. 71st St.. SH: 9-3. A: Free. PH: 317- 837-5682 or fuba-coin@aol.com.

IOWA

Feb 25-26 IA, Ames. Coin-A-Rama. Quality Inn & Suites, 2601 E 13th St.. SH: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 9-3. SP: Ames Coin Club. A: Free. T: 72. F: $125. Kirk Nichols. PH: 515- 232-9222 or kirk@chestercoins.com.

MARYLAND

Feb 5 MD, Lutherville-Timonium. Hunt Valley-Timonium Coin and Currency Show. Embassy Suites by Hilton, 213 International Circle. SH: 9-4. PH: 410- 929-8178 or www.legacycoinstore.com.

Feb 12 MD, Salisbury. 57th Annual Coin Club Show & Sale. Moose Lodge 654, 833 Snow Hill Road. SH: 10am - 5pm. SP: Salisbury Coin Club. A: Free. Erick Windsor. PH: 443- 515-0311 or windsorcoin@gmail.com.

Mar 5 MD, Lutherville-Timonium. Hunt Valley-Timonium Coin and Currency Show. Embassy Suites by Hilton, 213 International Circle. SH: 9-4. PH: 410- 929-8178 or www.legacycoinstore.com.

MASSACHUSETTS

Feb 12 MA, Auburn. Sunday Coin Show. Elks Lodge, 754 Southbridge St. (Rt. 12). SH: 9:30am - 2:30pm. SP: EBW Promotions, LLC. A: Free. T: 46. EBW Promotions, LLC, PO Box 3, Wilmington, MA, 01887. PH: 978- 658-0160 or info@ebwpromotions.com or www.ebwpromotions.com.

Feb 15 MA, Uxbridge. BVCCC Monthly Coin Show. VFW Post #1385, 16 Cross Rd.. A: Free. Mike. PH: 774- 280-4333 or www.facebook/blackstonevalleycoinclub.com.

Feb 19 MA, North Attleboro. North Attleboro Coin, Stamp & Collectibles Show. North Attleboro Elks Lodge #1011, 52 Bulfinch St.. SH: 9-2. SP: Bart's Collectibles. A: Free. T: 12. F: $50. Bart Leonard. PH: 774- 203-3158 or julez02703@gmail.com.

MICHIGAN

Feb 19 MI, Troy. 12th International Coin Show. American Polish Cultural Ctr., 2975 E. Maple Rd. at Dequindre Rd.. SH: 10-4. SP: Polish American Numismatic Society and Huron Valley Numismatic Society. A: Free. T: 65. F: $125. Brett Irick. PH: 313- 207-3562 or xr7gt@prodigy.net or www.pans-club.org.

Mar 5 MI, Livonia. Northwest Detroit Coin Club Annual Spring Show. Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Rd.. SH: 9:30am - 3:30pm. SP: Northwest Detroit Coin Club. A: Free. T: 40. NWDCC Bourse Chairperson. PH: 734- 480-8226 or nwdccboursechairperson@gmail.com or www.nwdcc.org.

MINNESOTA

Feb 5 MN, Minneapolis. North Metro Coin Show. Cambria Hotel Minneapolis, Maple Grove, 9655 Grove Circle North. SH: 9-4. A: Free. T: 25. Antique Coins. PH: 651- 269-5846 or hunt4coins@yahoo.com.

Feb 19 MN, South Saint Paul. South Saint Paul Monthly Coin Show. UFCW Local 1189, 266 Hardman Ave N.. SH: 9-4. SP: Antique Coins. A: Free. T: 30. F: $65. David. PH: 651- 269-5846 or hunt4coins@yahoo.com.

MISSISSIPPI

Feb 24-26 MS, Southaven. Memphis Coin Club Coin Show. Landers Civic Center, 4560 Venture Dr. SH: Fri. 12-6; Sat. 9-6; Sun. 9-4. SP: Memphis Coin Club. A: Free. Ray W. Brown. PH: 901- 321-3408 or rwbrown@cbu.edu.

MISSOURI

Feb 10-12 MO, St. Louis. St. Louis Numismatic Association 58th Annual Greater America Coin Fair. Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel, 10330 Natural Bridge Rd.. SH: Fri. 10 - 6; Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10 - 3. SP: St. Louis Numismatic Association. A: $1 (non-members), Free (members). T: 110. F: $375. Darrell Bedwell. PH: 636- 296-9952 or leo63010@aol.com or www.stlouiscoinclub.com/.

NEBRASKA

Feb 12 NE, Nebraska City. Nebraska City Coin Show. Eagle Club, 600 1st Corso. SH: 9am - 4pm. SP: Nebraska City Coin Club. A: Free. T: 34. F: $35. Sue Stich. PH: 402- 297-7721 or stichfamily@hotmail.com.

Mar 4 NE, Lincoln. Lincoln Coin Club Annual Show. Sesostris Shrine Center, 1050 Saltillo Road (Roca, NE). SH: 9am - 4:30pm. SP: Lincoln Coin Club. A: Free. T: 30. F: $65. Dave Larson. PH: 402- 202-2348 or winlarson@yahoo.com.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Feb 19 NH, Nashua. 3rd Sun. Coin Show. Eagle's Wing Function Center, 10 Spruce St.. SH: 9am - 2pm. SP: EBW Promotions, LLC. A: Free. T: 49. EBW Promotions, LLC, PO Box 3, Wilmington, MA, 01887. PH: 978- 658-0160 or info@ebwpromotions.com or www.ebwpromotions.com.

NEW JERSEY

Feb 26 NJ, Old Bridge. Old Bridge Coin, Paper Money, and Collectibles Show. Old Bridge First Aid & Rescue Squad Bldg., 200 Marlboro Rd. & Ferris Rd.. SH: 8-2. A: Free. T: 24. Matt Sulikowski. PH: 732- 740-4604 or PH: 732- 290-9090 or matski47@ail.com.

NEW YORK

Feb 5 NY, Niagara Falls. Coins, Currency & Collectibles Show. Lewiston Fire Hall Co. #2, 1705 Saunders Settlement Rd.. SH: 10-5. SP: Niagara Frontier Coin Club. A: Free. T: 70. David Tortorice. PH: 716- 873-4282 or horsserbmc@verizon.net.

Feb 5 NY, Albany. CDCDA Coin & Hobby Show. Polish Community Center , 225 Washington Ave. Ext. SH: 11am - 4pm. SP: Capital District Coin Dealers Association. A: $2. F: $65. Ron Pugh, PO Box 2081, Scotia, NY, 12302. PH: 518- 372-3611 or rpugh2@nycap.rr.com.

Feb 19 NY, Liverpool. ONA Coin & Currency Show. Holiday Inn, 400 7th North Street. SH: 10am. SP: Onnondaga Numismatic Association. A: Free. Mark Caiello. PH: 315- 447-5552 or ona63syr@gmail.com.

Feb 19 NY, Cheektowaga. BNA Monthly Coin & Stamp Show. Knights of Columbus Hall, 2735 Union Road. SH: 10am - 3pm. SP: Buffalo Numismatic Association. David Tortorice. PH: 716- 873-4280 or www.the-bna.org.

Feb 26 NY, Depew. Coin, Stamp, Postcard, & Collectibles Show. Polish Falcon Hall, 445 Columbia Ave.. SH: 10-3. SP: GDK Coins. A: Free. T: 60. Peter Cappa. PH: 716- 656-8080 or gdkcoins@yahoo.com.

Mar 5 NY, Albany. CDCDA Coin & Hobby Show. Polish Community Center , 225 Washington Ave. Ext.

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Mar 11 NY, Owego. Candor Coin Club Show. Owego Moose Club, Route 17-C West. SH: 10am - 3pm. SP: Candor Coin Club. A: Free. T: 14. F: $35/1, $65/2. David Nichols. PH: 607- 659-3949 or denicholsdavenichols@yahoo.com.

NORTH CAROLINA

Feb 10-11 NC, Charlotte. Charlotte Coin Club 53rd Annual Show. The Park Expo and Conference Center, 800 Briar Creek Road. SP: Charlotte Coin Club. A: Free. T: 120. F: $250. Gregory Field. PH: 704- 293-4426 or gregory@carolina.rr.com.

OHIO

Feb 5 OH, Fairview Park. Universal Coin, Currency & Stamp Show. American Legion Post 421, 22001 Brook Park Rd. SH: 10am - 3pm. A: Free. John Cotleur. PH: 440- 864-7473.

Feb 19 OH, Hilliard. Columbus Coin Show. Makoy Center, 5462 Center St.. SH: 10-4. SP: Dan Rich. A: $2 18yrs+. F: $45. Dan Rich. PH: 614- 785-9967 or drich@columbus.rr.com.

Feb 19 OH, Columbus. Columbus Coin & Stamp Show. Makoy Center, 5462 Center Street, Hilliard. SH: 10am - 3pm. SP: Dan Rich Dr. Coin & Currency. A: $2 18 & over. T: 40. F: $45. Dan Rich. PH: 614- 785-9967 or drich@columbus.rr.com.

Feb 26 OH, Cincinnati. Greenhills Classic Coin, Stamp, and Jewelry Show. American Legion Post 530, 11100 Winton Rd.. SH: 10-3:30. SP: Numismania of Ohio. A: Free. F: $42. Colonel (Ret) Jim Huffman, PO Box 24, Plain City, OH, 43064. PH: 937- 901-2110 or numismaniaofohio@gmail.com.

Mar 5 OH, Norwalk. Firelands Coin Club Show. St. Paul Catholic Church Social Hall, 30 Milan Ave.. SH: 10am - 3pm. SP: Firelands Coin Club. A: Free. F: $35. Stephen Schumm. PH: 419- 668-8994 or sfschumm@aol.com.

OKLAHOMA

Feb 17-18 OK, Duncan. 54th Annual Coin Show. Stephens County Fairgrounds, 1618 South 13th. SH: Fri. 10am - 5pm; Sat. 9am - 5pm. SP: Stephens County Coin Club. A: Free. T: 50. F: $90. Dan Fletcher. PH: 580- 467-0168 or dfletch@hotmail.com.

OREGON

Mar 5 OR, Springfield . Springfield Coin, Currency, and Token Show. Holiday Inn, 919 Kruse Way. SH: 10am - 4pm. SP: Springfield/Eugene Coin Club. A: Free. T: 20. F: $95. Monte Mensing. PH: 503- 769-7183 or coinguy@wvi.com.

PENNSYLVANIA

Feb 4 PA, Pittsburgh. 63rd Anniversary Coin Show. Crowne Plaza Hotel-Pittsburgh South, 164 Fort Couch Rd.. SH: Sat. 9am - 5pm. SP: South Hills Coin Club. A: Free. T: 40. Alex Brown. abb15236@gmail.com

Mar 5 PA, Curwensville. Central PA Coin Club Spring Show. Community Center, 11 Stadium Drive. SH: 9:00am - 3pm. SP: Central PA Coin Club. A: Free. T: 16. F: $50. Tony Janke. PH: 814- 762-6751 or hcoins7@comcast.net.

Mar 11 PA, Indiana. Indiana Coin Show. S&T Bank Arena, 497 East Pike Road. SH: 10-4. SP: Indiana Coin Club. A: Free. T: 38. F: $70. Scott Bowman. PH: 724-465-0618 or kcchiefscott@verizon.net.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Feb 3-5 SC, Charleston. Low Country Winter Coin Show. Exchange Park Fairgrounds, 9850 Hwy 78. SH: Fri. 12-6; Sat. 9-6; Sun. 10-3. SP: Low Country Coin Club. A: Free. T: 50. Richard Smith. PH: 843- 797-1245 or lmangie@aol.com.

TENNESSEE

Feb 18 TN, Cookeville. Cookeville Coin Show. Cookeville Community Center, 240 Carlen Dr.. SH: 9-4. SP: Cookeville Coin Show. A: Free. T: 48. F: $55. Andy Bundshuh. PH: 720- 879-3322 or cookevillecoinclub@gmail.com.

Feb 25-26 TN, Memphis. Memphis Coin Club Annual Coin Show. Landers Civic Center. SH: Fri. 12-6; Sat 9-6; Sun. 9-4. SP: Memphis Coin Club. A: Free. T: 73. F: $150. Ray Brown. PH: 901- 321-3408 or rwbrown@cbu.edu.

Mar 3-5 TN, Chattanooga. TSNS Annual Spring Coin Show. Camp Jordan Arena, I-75 exit 1. SH: Fri. & Sat. 10am - 6pm; Sun. 10am - 3pm. SP: Tennessee State Numismatic Society. A: Free. T: 200. Bob Hurst. PH: 321- 427-6474 or forvm@comcast.net or www.tsns.org.

TEXAS

Jan 13-14 TX, White Settlement. Cowtown Coin Show. White Settlement Conference Center, 405 N. Las Vegas Trail. SH: Fri. Noon-5; Sat. 9-5. A: $3. Jim Fitzgerald. PH: 817- 688-6994 or jfitzshows@gmail.com or www.jfitzshows.com.

Jan 19-20 TX, Conroe. 67th Houston Money Show. Lone Star Convention Center, 9055 Airport Rd. @ FM3083. SP: Greater Houston Coin Club. A: Free. T: 122. Jack Domurat. PH: 832- 610-5313 or jackurat@sbcglobal.net or www.houstoncinshow.org.

Feb 24-26 TX, El Paso. El Paso 59th Annual Coin Show. El Maida Shrine, 6331 Alabama St. SH: Fri. 1pm-6pm, Sat. 9am-6pm, Sun. 9am-4pm. SP: Int'l Coin Club of El Paso. A: Free. T: 60. F: $185/table, $320/corner (2 tables). Jason Elwell. PH: 915- 241-6977 or iccoep1963@gmail.com.

VIRGINIA

Feb 18-19 VA, Virginia Beach. Virginia Beach Coin Show. Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19th St.. SH: Sat 9-5; Sun 9-4. SP: Tidewater Coin Club. A: Free. T: 65. John Kolos. PH: 757- 331-1530 or john.kolos1790@gmail.com or www.tidewatercoinclub.org.

Feb 25 VA, s. Chesterfield. Central Virginia Coin Club Show. Ivey Memorial Church , 17120 Jefferson Davis Hwy. SH: 9-4:30. A: Free. Bill Scott. PH: 804- 350-1140 or woscott1@gmail.com.

Mar 4-5 VA, Salem. Salem-Roanoke Valley Coin Show. American Legion Bldg., 710 Apperson Dr. SH: Sat. 9:30-5:30; Sun. 9:30-3:30. SP: Salem Coin Club. A: Free. T: 40. F: $120. Roger Keffer. PH: 540- 588-4505 or rkeffer@cox.net.

WISCONSIN

Feb 19 WI, Oshkosh. Wisconsin Coin Expo's 39th Annual Coin Show. Convention Ctr., 2 N. Main St. SH: 9am - 4pm. SP: Wisconsin Coin Expos LLC. A: Free. T: 80. F: $75/8ft.. Randy Miller. PH: 920- 231-6161 or randy@chiefcoinandsupply.com.

FOREIGN

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